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President of the North Caucasus republic of Ingushetia, Yunus-Bek Yevkurov leaving the Grand Kremlin palace after the State award ceremony in Moscow, Russia in this June 12, 2009, file picture.

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Lucas Glover kisses his trophy after winning the U.S. Open Golf Championship at Bethpage State Park's Black Course in Farmingdale, N.Y., Monday, June 22, 2009.

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Organizing Committee & Competitors meet with Press at MooMba Beach

Aruba gets ready for Annual Hi-Winds Competition



MOOMBA BEACH - Aruba celebrates the 23rd anniversary of the annual Aruba Hi-Winds, the largest amateur windsurfing event in the Caribbean. The event, taking place July 1 - 6, 2009 at the Fisherman's Huts and Boca Grandi on the east side of the island, features exciting windsurfing and kite boarding competitions for visitors of all ages. Aruba, famous for its year-round trade winds and calm seas, makes the island nation the perfect location for this series of events that attract professionals and amateurs alike.

The Hi-Winds competition includes races for windsurfing and kite boarding. Categories featured are long distance, course racing, slalom and freestyle for windsurfing; and course racing and freestyle for kite boarding. Each category is open for men, women, masters, juniors and kids.

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Antillean court rejects Dutch law in gay case

The Netherlands Antilles - A judge in the Netherlands Antilles has ruled that same-sex marriage does not have to offer the same benefits and legal rights as marriage between a man and a woman. The verdict by the Joint Court of Justice of the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba overturned an earlier court ruling last year which said the wife of a female civil servant should be eligible for insurance coverage. In the case of married heterosexual civil servants, partners are automatically insured.

Antillean Education and Public Health Minister Omayra Leeftang reacted

positively to the Court of Justice's decision. She said that if the Court of Justice had upheld the earlier ruling in favour of the same-sex couple, it would mean that Dutch law takes precedence over Antillean law.

This, in turn, would undermine the autonomous status of the Netherlands Antilles. The case has attracted considerable media attention and has turned into a double-loaded affair - on one hand for gay rights activists fighting for equality and, on the other, for Antilleans who saw it as a challenge to their democracy. The five islands of the

Netherlands Antilles, together with Aruba, are still part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands. They were due to be dissolved as a unified political entity in December 2008 and were to attain a new constitutional status within the kingdom. However, the proposed constitutional changes have been deferred. □



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International Dance Workshop to be held in August

ORANJESTAD - In August the highest caliber of professional dancers in ballet and modern dance will come to Aruba to give workshop classes at the Cas di Cultura. The workshop, which is open to all dancers; students through professional, is a unique opportunity for dancers on the island to be exposed to top professionals from NYC in ballet and modern dance. The format of the workshop will be three days of classes given by the guest artists and a performance on the fourth day which will give all participants the opportunity to share the stage with the guest artists as well as display what they have learned through out the three days. The workshop is open to all dance students and professionals ages 10 to adult, of an intermediate/advanced level.

The guest artists and performers from New York include, Leonid Kozlov, former principal dancer with the Bolshoi Ballet, Russia, New York City Ballet, and Broadway. Mr. Kozlov

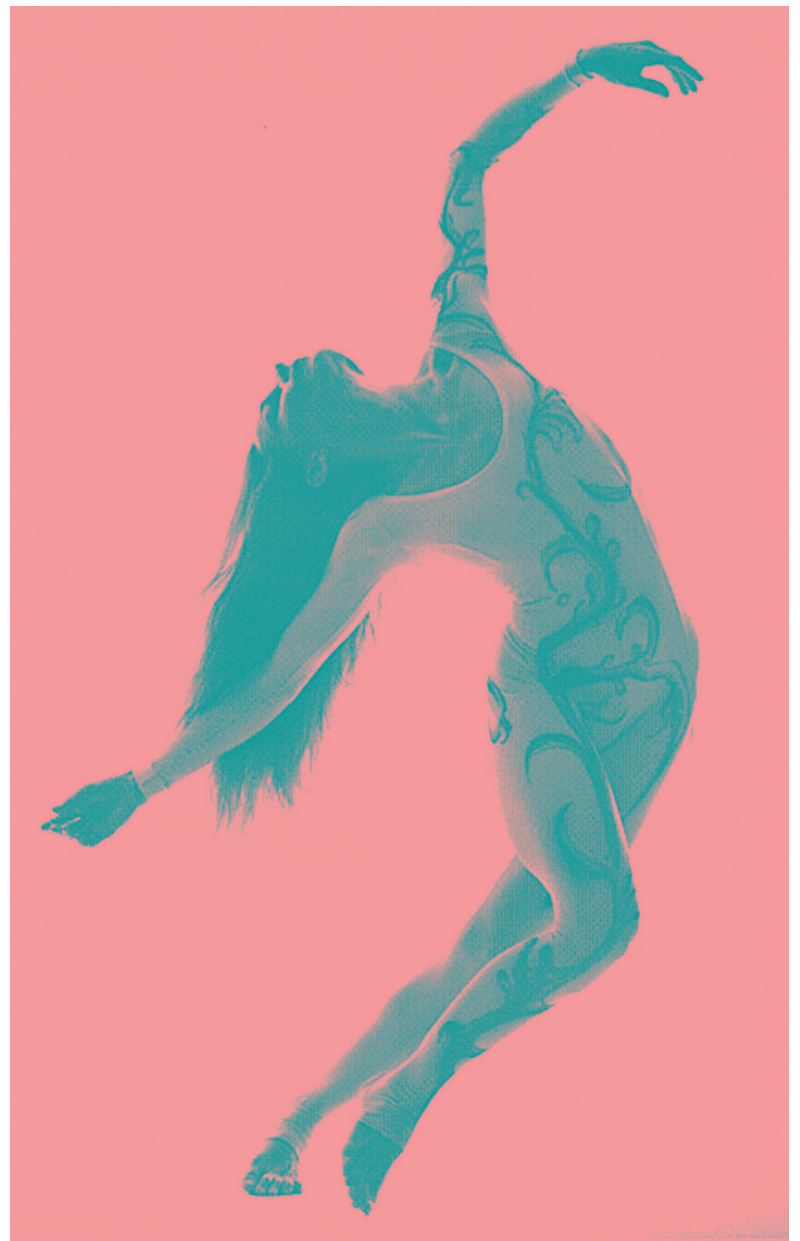
will be giving a classical ballet workshop which combines the fluid Russian style with the light and quick Balanchine style. Mr. Kozlov has brought several productions to the island over the past two years, including the full length Nutcracker and Swan Lake. Instructing the modern dance workshop is Christine Dakin, former artistic director and principal dancer of the Martha Graham Dance Company.

Ms. Dakin is in high demand as a Graham technique instructor, having worked extensively with Martha Graham. She has taught through out the world, most recently in at Danzfest in Italy, Harvard University and Julliard, USA, and in Mexico where she is creating and filming an international collaboration of dancers and musicians – La Voz del Cuerpo/The Body Speaks. Helen Hansen, a principal dancer and rehearsal assistant for Buglisi Dance Theatre, will be giving a repertory workshop. Ms. Hansen is also on the Juilliard Dance Division faculty teaching

the Alexander Technique. The repertory workshop will expose students to the works of today's modern dance choreographers of New York. Patrick Daugherty, pianist and composer, will provide musical accompaniment for the workshop classes and performance.

The workshop will be held, Wednesday, August 26th through Saturday, August 29th from 3:00pm-6:00pm at the Cas di Cultura. The workshop performance in which all the guest artists and participants will perform will be held on Saturday, August 29th at 8:00pm at the Cas di Cultura.

The fee for the workshop (9 classes/ rehearsal/ performance) is 120 florins. Participants may register before the start of the workshop on Wednesday, August 26th from 2:30pm-3:00pm at the Cas di Cultura or in advance by dropping off your form at the Club di Movimiento (Bubali 76-B). For more information and a registration form visit www.dancearuba.com or call 587-3413. □



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Barbados claims overall title of the 12th CAC Age Group Championships



Barbados wins the CAC Age Group Championships

(Carlos Clemente)

Nassau, Bahamas - Barbados claimed the overall title of the 12th CAC Age Group Championships, held in Freeport, Bahamas, on June 18-19, with a record attendance of 125 athletes

from 20 countries. Counting the results in both categories (11-12 and 13-14), Barbados totalled 29,317 points, followed by Bahamas (26,954) and Jamaica (26,410).

Individually, Bermuda's Jordan Bascome and Ramarco Thompson of Barbados dominated the Pentathlon for the girls and boys aged 11-12 years old respectively. Bascome scored 2,680 points

in 60m, 800m, High Jump, Long Jump and Baseball Throw, ahead of Naeemah Isidora of the Netherlands Antilles (2,557) and Lixandra Geerman of Aruba (2,555).

Thompson of Barbados proved to be the most consistent among the boys with a 3,331 tally, based on his speed and jump abilities. Juan Nunez of the Dominican Republic impressed with his massive 77.48m effort in the baseball throw, 16 metres farther than the other contestants, and his 2:54.04 time in the 1200m to finish a close second with 3222 points.

Another Barbadian, Mario Burke, rounded out the top three with 2,988 points.

The boys and girls aged 13-14 years old contested the Heptathlon, which consisted in 80m, High Jump, Long Jump and Short Put. Girls ran 800m and 60m Hurdles, and boys 1000m and 80m Hurdles.

Chelsey Linton of Dominica prevailed among 33 girls with 4,221 points, followed by Costa Rica's Andre Vargas

Mena (4130) and Tanice Watson of Barbados (4,082). Very consistent over the seven events, Jerrad Mason of Barbados topped the list of 27 men with 5,339 points, followed by his compatriot Dario Scantlebury (5,155) and Delano Davis of Bahamas (4,994).

Dudly Boeldak of the Netherlands Antilles dominated the High Jump (1.78m), Shot Put (14.18), 80m Hurdles (11.73). He was also third in the Javelin (75.63), 80m (9.69) and fourth in the Long Jump (6.02).

A clear leader with one event to go, he failed to complete the 1200m.

Barbados sealed the overall victory with both 4x100m mixed relays.

The 11-12 A team, with Thompson running the second leg, clocked 49.38, well clear of Jamaica 'A' (52.24) and Aruba 'A' (53.51).

The 13-14 squad, including Mason, stopped the clock in 47.26, closely followed by Bahamas 'A' (47.70) and Bermuda 'A' (48.95).

The winners were awarded by NACAC chairman and IAAF Council member and Area representative Neville McCook, as well as Central American and Caribbean Athletics Confederation (CACAC) president Victor Lopez.

The CAC Age Group Champs started in Curacao in 1985 and are held every other year. Each team can field two boys and girls in each category.

The championships are in line with the proposals of combined events by the IAAF Youth and School Commission. The CACAC has been implementing this development strategy since 1985.

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Governor approves extradition, but Registe's lawyer heads back to court

PHILIPSBURG--Governor Fritz Goedgedrag has approved the extradition of murder suspect Michael Jason Registe to the United States, but Registe's attorney Remco Stomp continues his efforts to block the extradition and the parties will be back in court on Wednesday.

In a statement issued Sunday night, Stomp disclosed that the Governor had approved Registe's extradition last week Friday and that he had already filed an injunction against that decision.

He also alleged that, without notifying the defence, the Prosecutor's Office had made arrangements for Registe to be transported from St. Maarten to Curacao, but he had filed an injunction last week Thursday against any decision to transport

Registe out of St. Maarten. Registe is wanted in Georgia, USA, to stand trial on double homicide charges. He is suspected of killing two university student-athletes in Columbus, Georgia, on July 20, 2007, but his lawyer is arguing that he will not be granted a fair trial because he is black and because of racial tension in the Southern US state. One of the students was white.

"On Friday the judge ordered the immediate cancellation of the planned transport [to Curacao]. A hearing is planned for Wednesday, June 24, and Registe is allowed to attend the hearing in person in Sint Maarten," Stomp reported last night.

He said that in his decision the Governor had said he

had been convinced by the Georgia authorities that they would not seek the death penalty for Registe, but the Governor did not go into the arguments of the defence that Registe would not have a fair trial in Georgia, stating instead that the High Court had already expressed its opinion on this issue.

Stomp said the Governor's decision did not come as a surprise, "for extradition procedures with the US in general always end with having the suspect presented

to the US on a silver platter by the Kingdom."

He continued: "However, it [the governor's decision] is still disappointing, for the governor is the only one who can actually make a difference in these cases. For this particular case is unique in the sense that the Kingdom extradites a black person who was put, unjustified, on the top 10 world list of the FBI next to Osama bin Laden to one of the most conservative states of the US, known for its racism."

Stomp said, "The Netherlands Antilles could have made a difference in the sense that it could have tried the man itself, for he is of Caribbean/Dominican background, guaranteeing him a fair trial. Yet we send him to a redneck state that has already labelled him guilty."

Meanwhile, according to Stomp, the European Court of Human Rights is monitoring the case. He petitioned that court recently in his bid to block Registe's extradition. □

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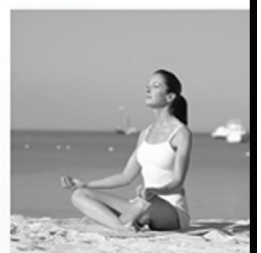
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Marlin: Several interested in helping set up govt branches

PHILIPSBURG--Several persons have already expressed interest in helping St. Maarten set up branches of Central Government agencies, departments and ministries here, Constitutional Affairs Commissioner William Marlin said Sunday.

The agreement paving the way for the setting up of the branches is expected to be signed in Curaçao tomorrow, Tuesday.

During a television interview in Curaçao last week Marlin had said the door was open for interested persons with experience to be a part of the

process.

"I made it known that we are interested in persons with experience who are willing to help St. Maarten in setting up Central Government departments and or agencies, that they can contact us and see if they can be of help, and I have been contacted by some directly and by others indirectly," Marlin said.

"There are a number of people who have [been] identified whom we can use, based on their experience, to help put some of these things in place and help to set up the institutions."

The setting up of Central Government branches in St. Maarten was one of the major decisions taken during last week Thursday's preparatory meeting attended by representatives of the Central Government, Curaçao and St. Maarten in preparation for this week's Political Steering Group meeting.

The establishment of the Central Government branches here is expected to help St. Maarten set up the infrastructure, assume certain critical functions and gain experience in executing certain tasks essential to the effective

functioning of Country St. Maarten.

In the meantime, Marlin said, the Executive Council has made a priority of establishing several agencies, of which the National Alliance has been a proponent. He said the Reporting Centre for Unusual Transactions MOT should be set up before the end of July, while the Gaming Control Board should be in place "very soon."

The draft law for the

ombudsman will also be tabled on the floor of the Island Council, Marlin said.

Marlin arrived in Curaçao yesterday evening for talks today with Dutch State Secretary for Interior and Kingdom Relations Ank Bijleveld-Schouten.

He will also be meeting with Central Government and Curaçao representatives on Tuesday and will participate in Wednesday's Political Steering Group meeting. □



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HIV funding for Caribbean

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The European Commission (EC) has provided the funding for the project entitled "Strengthening the Integration of the British and Dutch Overseas Caribbean Territories in the Regional Response to HIV/AIDS through the Pan Caribbean Partnership against HIV/AIDS (PANCAP)." The expected results of the project, which is being implemented through the PAHO HIV Caribbean Office and relevant PAHO country offices, and which has been operational since October 3, 2008, include enhanced prevention efforts to reduce the spread of HIV/AIDS in the OCTs; expanded access to care and support for Persons Living With HIV/AIDS (PLWHA); and strengthened human rights of PLWHA through increased OCT capacity to effectively implement interventions for the reduction of stigma and discrimination. The major objectives of the Curacao meeting include reviewing the activities and achievements of the first year of the project and identifying priority issues and activities for the second year. The project steering committee, which will provide overall policy direction to the project, will meet on June 26. The Committee comprises representatives of the participating Overseas Territories as well as international and community organisations, including PLWHAs. Other participants at the meeting are national project focal points together with regional stakeholders (PANCAP, OECS) and international partners including the EC, UNAIDS, the UK Department for International Development (DFID) and PAHO. □



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Kings of the Jungle at La Cabana



EAGLE BEACH – A successful, fun party themed “Nos Papa King of the Jungle,” was offered at La Cabana Beach & Racquet Club in honor of Father’s Day. The resort’s hard-working dads were invited to attend the social event orchestrated by the tireless social committee, in the decorated and completely transformed conference room.

Erwin Donata, from the Engineering Department was elected Father of the Year and he received a special tribute, a serenade by beautiful local singer Sashah Figueroa, and an upbeat dance with assistant manager Jessica Franken. Board member Willie Mosconi was visibly moved when he received a special token of appreciation for his kindness, passion for the resort and support of the wellbeing of members, associates, and guests, from members of the executive committee. He in turn thanked his wife Fran, which according to General Manager Joe Najjar complements the couple, who are like “rays of sunshine, warm and welcome.” The afternoon also included



a delicious array of snacks by Chef Sonny and refreshments as well as a comic clothes-hanging contest designed to measure dad’s aptitude as mom’s best helper.

Jessica Franken helped run the contest while Helen Werleman conducted the super-raffle for prizes and surprises from phone cards to lotto tickets!! ☐



Aruba gets ready for Annual Hi-Winds Competition



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In addition to enjoying the competitions during the day, the Hi-Winds organizing committee has put together fun festivities to entertain all participants and guests in the evenings. Celebrations include a welcome party at Moomba on the first evening, followed by an elegant dinner on the beach hosted by Divi Resorts. On Saturday, dinner will be served at De Palm Island, and Sunday's party will take place on the beach with live music.

This historic event dates back to 1987, where the Hi-Winds competition was the first event dedicated to hosting world champions and professionals in the windsurfing community. In 1997, the organizing committee turned the Hi-Winds from a top race to a fun, amateur event appealing to all kinds of audiences. In recent years, Freestyle Windsurfing was added to the program and freestylers now compete for the coveted crown of "King of the Huts." The event's latest addition to the program is kite boarding, which has turned the competition into



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ORANJESTAD - This year MAMBO celebrated Father's Day in grand way. This past Saturday, MAMBO organized a fun filled day for the entire family where they could shop for that special Father's Day gift while enjoying the many activity's that is in store for them on the Mainstreet which will be closed of for foot traffic only.

MAMBO welcomed Classic Car Club of Aruba (CCCA) that held their annual carshow with over 20 classic cars amongst them the Mercedes Benz, Jaguar, the famous Ford Edsel and the 1965 Ford Mustang amongst the many other models such as the Mercer, Buick, Pontiac, Chrysler, Dodge and Chevrolet.

Pierewietje was also be present to entertain the kids with Sesame Street's Elmo, Cookie Monster, Burt and Ernie and joined by Dora and Diego, Blues and Sprinkles. Musical entertainment filled out the entire street with bands "Tico y su Estrellas", "Tipico Los Amigos" and DJ's.

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Caribbean news briefs

ANTIGUA: Judge orders 2 accused of killing honeymooning British couple to stand trial

ST. JOHN'S, Antigua (AP) _ Two men accused of killing a British couple on the last day of their honeymoon were ordered Friday to stand trial.

Chief Magistrate Ivan Walters said prosecutors presented enough evidence, but chastised them for not producing any witnesses in the slaying of Catherine and Benjamin Mullany.

Prosecutor Adlai Smith said witnesses would sign their statements later.

Avie Howell, 18, and Kaniel Martin, 22, also are accused of killing three other people last summer in unrelated cases.

The Mullanys were married July 12 and flew to the Caribbean island for a two-week honeymoon. Police say they were shot at the Cocos Hotel the dawn of July 27, the day they were to leave the island.

Catherine Mullany died at the scene, while her husband died a week later after he was transported to Wales by air ambulance and placed on life support. They were both 31 and hailed from Swansea in South Wales.

Police say robbery was likely the motive.

The trial is expected to start in September.

The suspects also will stand trial for the killings of a Jamaican shopkeeper, a Syrian national and a student who was home on vacation. Police say they were all shot in the head at close range. □

of a teenage carnival queen killed in a car wreck.

Workers caught using such equipment inappropriately could face a reprimand, suspension or termination, District Police Chief Rodney Querrard said Friday.

Querrard would not provide details about the new policy or how equipment use would be monitored.

An emergency medical technician resigned earlier this month after officials accused him of taking pictures of a June 8 car crash scene and put him on leave. A teenager, Karence DeCosta, died after the car she was driving slammed into a pole a few hours after she graduated from high school.

Authorities began investigating after receiving a tip that pictures of her body were circulating on the Internet.

The 18-year-old had been crowned queen of the U.S. Virgin Islands' carnival season. She was preparing to travel to Antigua to compete in the Caribbean Queen Bee, a competition of island carnival queens. □

ANTIGUA: Island reports 1st swine flu case: son of volleyball player who traveled to Trinidad

ST. JOHN'S, Antigua (AP) _ Health officials in Antigua say the 9-year-old son of a professional volleyball player has become the island's first swine flu case.

The health department says in a statement that the boy's father recently traveled to Trinidad for a tournament. At least a dozen players including those from Trinidad and Suriname have already tested positive.

Antigua said Friday that it is awaiting lab results from four other people.

Officials said they are in the process of contacting the boy's school.

The World Health Organization said more than 44,000 cases have been reported worldwide. There have been 180 confirmed deaths since the outbreak began in April. □

CURACAO: Health officials confirm first cases of swine flu in Dutch Caribbean island

WILLEMSTAD, Curacao (AP) _ Swine flu has reached the Dutch Caribbean island of Curacao.

The islands's health department said Friday it has confirmed the first two cases of H1N1 influenza. One case is an American tourist. The other is a member of Curacao's national men's volleyball team.

Health Department epidemiologist Dr. Izzy Gerstenbluth said both patients are recovering.

The volleyball player is one of more than a dozen cases to emerge in the Caribbean from the international tournament last week in Trinidad.

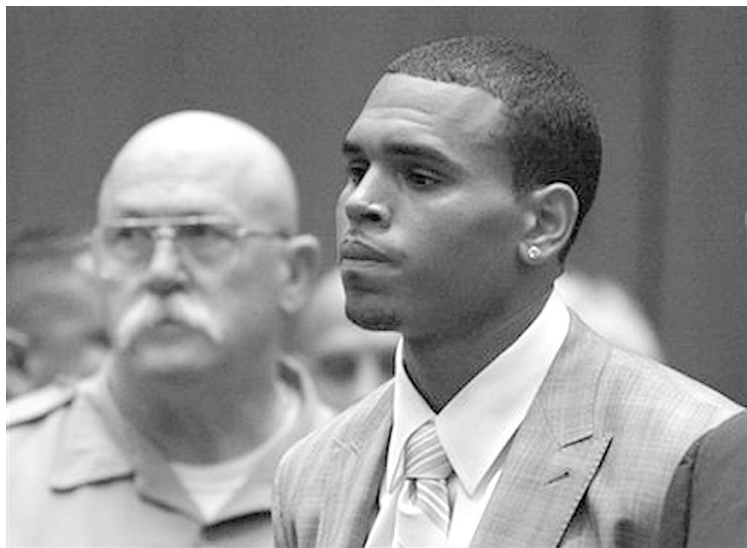
It was concerns about further spread that prompted authorities in Trinidad to cancel next month's Caribbean Games. □

US VIRGIN ISLANDS: Gov't monitors cell phone use after pictures of victim get on Web

CHARLOTTE AMALIE, U.S. Virgin Islands (AP) _ This U.S. territory has begun monitoring the use of cell phones and other electronic devices by emergency workers after grisly pictures appeared on the Internet showing the body



Chris Brown pleads guilty to assault



Chris Brown, right, is seen during his preliminary hearing in the felony assault case on Monday, June 22, 2009, in Los Angeles County Superior Court. Brown pleaded guilty to one count of felony assault.

(AP Photo/Lori Shepler, Pool)

By ANTHONY McCARTNEY,
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES — Chris Brown has pleaded guilty to one count of felony assault on pop star Rihanna.

Brown entered his plea before a preliminary hearing was scheduled to start in Los Angeles on Monday.

Rihanna had been on standby to testify.

Brown will be sentenced on Aug. 5, but the terms of the plea deal call for him to serve five years of formal probation and six months — roughly 1,400 hours — of community labor. Brown will be able to complete his probation in his home state of Virginia; he will have to do either graffiti removal or roadside cleanup for his service.

A spokeswoman for the Los Angeles County district attorney's office said the terms were in line with what others

receive when they're charged with similar crimes and who have no prior criminal history.

Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Patricia Schnegg also ordered the singer to stay away from Rihanna.

After Brown entered his plea and left the courtroom, Rihanna entered and was addressed by Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Patricia Schnegg, who explained to the Barbados-born singer that she had issued a stay-away order.

Rihanna, 21, had not been seeking a stay-away order, but the judge imposed one. The order requires that Brown and Rihanna stay at least 50 yards from each, except at industry events when the distance is reduced to 10 yards.

The judge also told Rihanna it's not a one-way order and she will be in violation if she gets closer to Brown than the order allows.

Rihanna was informed of the deal about an hour she could have been called as a witness, her attorney, Donald Etra, said. He said the singer "did not object" to the terms of the deal. Schnegg accepted Brown's plea, but expressed some concerns because Brown is not a California resident. She said Brown likely will be allowed to do his community service in his home state of Virginia. He'll have to return to California for updates every three months. He'll also be required to attend domestic violence classes.

Brown spoke softly throughout the hearing as he waived his rights and told the judge he understood the gravity of his plea.

"I think it's commendable you took responsibility for your conduct," Schnegg told Brown. She said she hoped "the terms and conditions of your probation will have some meaning."

The deal provides an end to a case that sparked intense media interest and severe backlash against Brown. Sponsors and radio stations dropped him, and the singer had to cancel several high-profile appearances, including a performance at the Grammys.

The singer once known for his squeaky-clean image now has a substantial blemish on his record. He must now also remain out of trouble for the foreseeable future.

Lawyers for Brown and Rihanna have refused to discuss the status of the pair's relationship. Brown was arrested Feb. 8, hours after police say he hit and threatened Rihanna after leaving a pre-Grammy party in Los Angeles. He was later charged with felony assault likely to produce great bodily harm and making criminal threats.

If convicted, the singer faced sentences ranging up to nearly five years in prison.

Brown, 20, rose to fame after the 2005 hit "Run It!" and his popularity has only grown. He was nominated for a Grammy for "No Air" with Jordin Sparks and named Billboard's top artist in 2008. In the months since the incident, both musicians have gradually appeared in public more frequently. Lately they have been photographed separately, including at a National Basketball Association finals game between the Orlando Magic and Los Angeles Lakers.



Columbia Drops the Ball on Brad Pitt's Moneyball

Megan Masters

Los Angeles (E! Online) — They can't all be home runs for Brad Pitt.

His latest project, the Steven Soderbergh-directed Moneyball, has been put into "limited turnaround" by Columbia Pictures honcho Amy Pascal after receiving a much different final draft of a script she once fought for.

Production on the film was set to start Monday in Phoenix, Ariz., and with only 96 hours to go, Soderbergh's change in vision unsettled Pascal and the brakes were immediately applied to the project.

The "limited turnaround" gives Soderbergh the opportunity to try and settle with another studio, the aim being bigwigs such as Paramount and Warner Bros. The filmmaker has until Monday to tie down the deal, having spent the weekend with both his and Pitt's CAA agents attempting to hit one out of the park—so to speak.

With a new deal not yet in place, Columbia will take tomorrow to re-examine where to go from here with Moneyball. There are several options, including delaying the film until Pascal believes she and Soderbergh are on the same page, replacing the director or, the worst-case scenario, pulling the plug on the project altogether.

This is not the first issue Moneyball has run into. While the baseball-themed flick has been approved by Major League Baseball itself, it follows a format that is less than mainstream and rarely a huge success in theaters. Soderbergh has hired Pitt to play the lead character, Billy Beane, but is also utilizing live interviews with actual athletes, including Daryl Strawberry and Lenny Dykstra, and interspersing the vignettes throughout the movie.

Reports claim that Soderbergh is confident in his project, but with upwards of \$50 million invested in Moneyball, Columbia is understandably weary about moving forward with a project they no longer fully stand behind—especially at the sight of an entirely reworked script mere hours before the project was slated to begin.

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Stocks tumble on bleak outlook for world economy

By MADLEN READ,
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK – A surprisingly bleak forecast for the world economy pushed stocks to their biggest loss in two months. Major stock indexes tumbled by more than 2 percent Monday, sending the Dow Jones industrial average down 201 points, after the World Bank estimated the global economy will shrink 2.9 percent in 2009. It previously predicted a 1.7 percent contraction.

The grim assessment punctured hopes being built up over the past few months

that the economy was starting to emerge from recession. Investors began driving stocks sharply higher in early March, encouraged by modest improvements in housing, manufacturing and even unemployment.

The dampened economic outlook from the World Bank, a global lender based in Washington, also weighed on the prices of oil, metals, and other commodities. Those price drops in turn sent energy and metal producers' shares falling.

Hugh Johnson, chief investment officer of Johnson

Illington Advisors, said the downbeat economic prediction confirmed fears that have been building in the market for two weeks.

"The forecast by the World Bank just dramatized that the market may have overstated what's coming for the economy," he said.

The stock market is coming off its first weekly loss in more than a month after mixed economic readings last week.

There were no major economic reports Monday, but traders will get data this week on new and existing home sales, durable goods orders, gross



FILE - In this May 11, 2007 file photo, a Wall Street sign is seen in front of the flag-draped facade of the New York Stock Exchange. The major stock indexes retreated by more than 1 percent in early trading Monday after the World Bank added to the market's growing economic worries.

(AP Photo/Richard Drew, file)

Report: US automakers to gain on new gas mandates

By KIMBERLY S. JOHNSON,
AP Auto Writer

DETROIT – U.S. automakers have underestimated the importance of fuel efficiency to consumers, but new federal standards are expected to help the companies turn a profit, according to the results of a University of Michigan study released Monday.

Researchers at the U of M Transportation Research Institute said plans for vehicles to be 30 percent more efficient by 2016, along with federal intervention at General Motors Corp. and Chrysler Group, are forcing the companies to pay closer attention to fuel efficiency when designing new cars, something the automakers failed to do in the past.

At times there was a concerted effort by company officials to discount the results of consumer research when making planning decisions, said the authors of the report, also former GM employees.

"It is standard practice to discount consumer research. It was only applied to safety and quality issues," said Walter McManus, director of the automotive analysis division for the institute and co-author of the study.

He said that people abandoned American-made vehicles in favor of fuel-efficient Japanese models, leading to the downturn of all three automakers.

"The reaction to fuel prices was way beyond

what anyone would have ever predicted," McManus said. But U.S. automakers now have a chance to catch up, as vehicles must average 35 mpg by 2016. The study estimates a combined \$3 billion in annual profit for the Detroit companies as consumers gain greater options for more fuel-efficient vehicles.

"They confused people staying away from fuel-efficient, small cars as not liking fuel economy, instead of the fact that they made mediocre cars that no one wanted," said Rob Kleinbaum, co-author of the study and managing director of RAK & Co. "If GM had followed its own research it would likely not be in Chapter 11 (bankruptcy protection) today."

Japanese automakers, already well on their way to meeting the federal fuel economy standards, could lose customers as U.S. automakers begin to reach those requirements.

But in order for automakers to see improvements they must make deep cultural changes within the organization. Fiat CEO Sergio Marchionne made sweeping management changes when he took over Chrysler earlier this month.

"It's always the same people at the table. GM needs to change the top 50 to 100 people in North America," Kleinbaum said. "They need to change the fundamental belief and values of the company that led them into this mess in the first place." □

domestic product and personal incomes and spending.

The Federal Reserve also will be in the spotlight after its two-day meeting on monetary policy ends Wednesday. The central bank is widely expected to hold its key funds rate steady near zero, but investors want to know whether policymakers will say the economy is recovering or still in need of aid.

The Dow fell 200.72, or 2.4 percent, to 8,339.01, its lowest finish since May 27. It was the biggest drop for the blue chips since losing 290 points, or 3.6 percent, on April 20 as investors worried about the soundness of bank balance sheets.

The Dow has fallen for five of the last six days and remains down for June.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 28.19, or 3.1 percent, to 893.04, also leaving the index with its biggest slide since April 20 and erasing its advance for the year. The Nasdaq composite index fell 61.28, or 3.4 percent, to 1,766.19.

After Monday's drop and a 3 percent slide last week, the Dow is down 5 percent for the year. The Nasdaq, however, remains up by 12 percent in

2009.

The market is selling off on the uncertainty of what lies ahead, said David Kotok, chairman and chief investment officer of Cumberland Advisors.

"The picture's not clear. You've got a market that's acting just that way," Kotok said.

Bond prices jumped Monday, pushing yields down, as the drop in stocks drove demand for the safety of government debt. The yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note sank to 3.69 percent from 3.78 percent late Friday.

The Fed has been buying Treasuries and other kinds of debt with the hope of keeping borrowing rates low at the same time the government has been issuing record amounts of debt. The Treasury Department is planning to auction another \$104 billion in debt this week.

A gauge of stock market volatility known as Wall Street's "fear index" spiked. The VIX rose more than 11 percent Monday, its biggest one-day gain since April.

Benchmark crude for August delivery fell \$2.52 to settle at \$67.50 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Gold prices also slid. □

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Supreme Court Pulls Teeth From the Voting Rights Act

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The Nation -- Once an election is done, it is hard to undo. That's true in Iran, and it's also true in the United States.

This is why it is important to get the rules by which elections are held right before elections are held.

For this reason, one of the essential components of the Voting Rights Act -- arguably its most powerful tool for combating discrimination and disenfranchisement -- has long been a requirement that officials get approval from the Department of Justice before they change the way in which elections are conducted.

Allow states, counties, municipalities or school districts in the 16 states that are wholly or partially with historic patterns of discrimination to opt out of the review, and they will be able to organize and hold elections that renew those patterns. That's why the requirement has been referred to by law professors as "one of the crown jewels of the civil rights movement."

Foes of the Voting Rights Act have long focused on weakening Section 5 of the act, the provision that requires election officials in the states covered by the act to obtain federal permission before making changes to voting procedures, moving polling-place locations, requiring so-called "citizenship checks" and redrawing voting district lines. They rightly argued that to do so would remove the teeth from the measure that has long been disdained by southerners pining for the days before what former Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott referred to as "all the laws of Washington" changed the way things were done in Dixie.

On Monday, the Supreme Court tarnished the crown jewel, giving state and local officials new flexibility to "opt out" of the requirement that they obtain permission when changing election rules. The court ruling does not invalidate the Voting Rights Act -- as some had feared -- but it does undermine it.

The court, with only one justice (Clarence Thomas) in partial dissent, said that the Northwest Austin Municipal Utility District No. 1 in Austin, Texas, can avoid the advance approval requirement.

The ruling is being interpreted as a signal all local jurisdictions in a Voting Rights Act state can at least apply for what is referred to as "a statutory bailout."

That was a reversal of a lower federal court that had preserved the Voting Rights Act as it was intended to operate.

That's a dangerous move, say civil rights supporters.

As Georgia Congressman John Lewis, who has watched the court's deliberations closely, says, "No one can deny the fact we've made progress. □"



High Stakes for Obama in Health Care Fight

David Paul Kuhn

It began to sink into the political class last week that Barack Obama's push for health care reform could fail. If it does indeed fail, it would be a stunning knockdown blow to Obama's presidency. He would likely never be as powerful thereafter.

A president's bully pulpit is only as powerful as the perception of that power. The history framing Obama, from the first he embodies to the economic collapse, strengthened Obama early on. It also meant that his stature was fragile. His strength was rooted in hope, not accomplishment. And hope can quickly fade without success.

Health care reform represents Obama's first major legislative battle. Obama has already won a successful stimulus package. But he faced little real opposition. Health care reform will be far more difficult. And the president realizes it. This Wednesday Obama holds a one-hour "town hall" on his health care agenda, broadcast on ABC News from the White House.

A Democratic vision of success likely includes a government-backed health insurance program. Passage would leave Obama politically stronger. Over the long haul it would likely improve the public's perception of government, an existential interest of the political left. In the near term, a successful health care overall would offer momentum to other legislative efforts, from energy to immigration reform.

But the converse is no less true. It was four years ago that George W. Bush's effort to reform Social Security began to sink. That year he gave more speeches on Social Security than the Iraq war, all to no avail.

The bully was lost from Bush's pulpit. By cause or coincidence--certainly the war in Iraq was the greatest long-term albatross--it was at this point that Bush's approval rating began to slide from bobbing around 50 percent to the low 40s by autumn, and on downward.

But it's the lessons of Bill Clinton's failure that consume this White House. There is a tendency in Washington to overestimate the providence of a moment. And in 1993, there was a great deal of hyperbole about Clinton's moment.

The Washington Post's David Broder offered a more sober voice. He wrote in September 1993 that Clinton's push for national health care represented the "most ambitious domestic undertaking by a chief executive in many a generation." Broder added that, "The financial, political and lobbying barriers are formidable."

Those barriers held. Clinton's failure was not the first, only the most damaging.

Health care reform trails back nearly a century. Teddy Roosevelt called for national health care in the 1912 campaign. By 1945 Harry Truman, in a special address to Congress, became the first sitting president to publicly push for a national health care program.

The opposition proved too strong for Truman. By 1961, a young Ronald Reagan, as advocate for the American Medical Association (AMA), recorded a roughly 10-minute record arguing that even the partial nationalization of health insurance was an "excuse" to implement "socialized medicine."

Today the AMA, like other powerful commercial interests, opposes a public option that competes with private insurers. And it's possible real reform could depend on the outcome of this private-public debate.

The United States is the only industrialized nation without a universal health care system. Americans are not, on average however, healthier than citizens of most other wealthy nations.

There were some 37 million Americans without insurance when Clinton pushed for universal health care. That number has risen to 46 million today.

At least six presidents have sought some version of health care reform. But only Clinton made it his first major legislative effort. And he lacked the power of Obama. Clinton won with 43 percent of the vote, 10 percentage points less than Obama. He got sidetracked with the debate over gays in the military. And his staff went about reform badly. The overhaul was privately prepared. The bill came out of the White House and not Congress. Clinton did not strongly push for deadlines on the issue. □

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flavors with citrus, spice and herbs and taste is elevated by marinating, smoking and grilling, Smeets explains. "We now use many more herbs, vegetables, grains and fibers," he adds, "all designed to sustain a healthier life style; and we stay away from saturated fats and refined sugars, as well as use salt sparingly," he informs. "The Sunset Grille kitchen," Smeets reveals, "uses no trans fats, and our guests," he banter, "stay healthy, wealthy and wise with our new and exciting spa cuisine." Among the patrons favorite dishes are, the Sunset Grille's famous Chop House Martini Salad, "Shaken not Stirred," the lobster bisque with a pastry crust, the various cuts of prime beef, the popular Rack of Lamb, Stuffed Quail and the delicious Veal Oscar. The spa cuisine features items such as Tuna Tataki, the Spinach Salad, Chilean Seabass, grilled Swordfish and the Asian style Salmon



to cut corners, especially when it comes to buying, aging and cutting meat. No wonder the readers of Caribbean Travel & Life named it the top restaurant in the Caribbean. □



Life's a Beach at the Juggling Fish

Palm Beach -- The Juggling Fish at Playa Linda Beach Resort is designed to stimulate your shopping instincts, as the beautiful store is hard to resist. What you'll find on the oceanfront boardwalk is absolutely gorgeous: hand picked gifts, souvenirs, beach

and resort wear, it's all on display a few steps from the water. The tastefully arranged store is signature Boston-born Jodi Tobman, also the owner of the brand-new Lazy Lizard, in the South Beach Centre. You will find a great selection of

kid gifts here. In fact an entire inner section is dedicated to gifts with a tropical appeal for babies and toddlers, among them whimsical plush stuffed iguanas, parrots and seahorses. Moreover, a bonanza of fridge magnets, hand-made silver jewelry, batik beach



wraps, throws and hats also awaits you. Gift hunters will be pleased with the array of scented candles and candleholders. The store offers convenient barefootbrowsingpossibilities and is located within a short walking distance from the Hyatt Regency and the Holiday Inn Sunspree Resort. The Juggling Fish at Playa Linda fits nicely into that resort's "Life's a Beach" philosophy. Open from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday and on Sunday, when the rest of the island is at a standstill, the helpful staff at the Juggling Fish Playa

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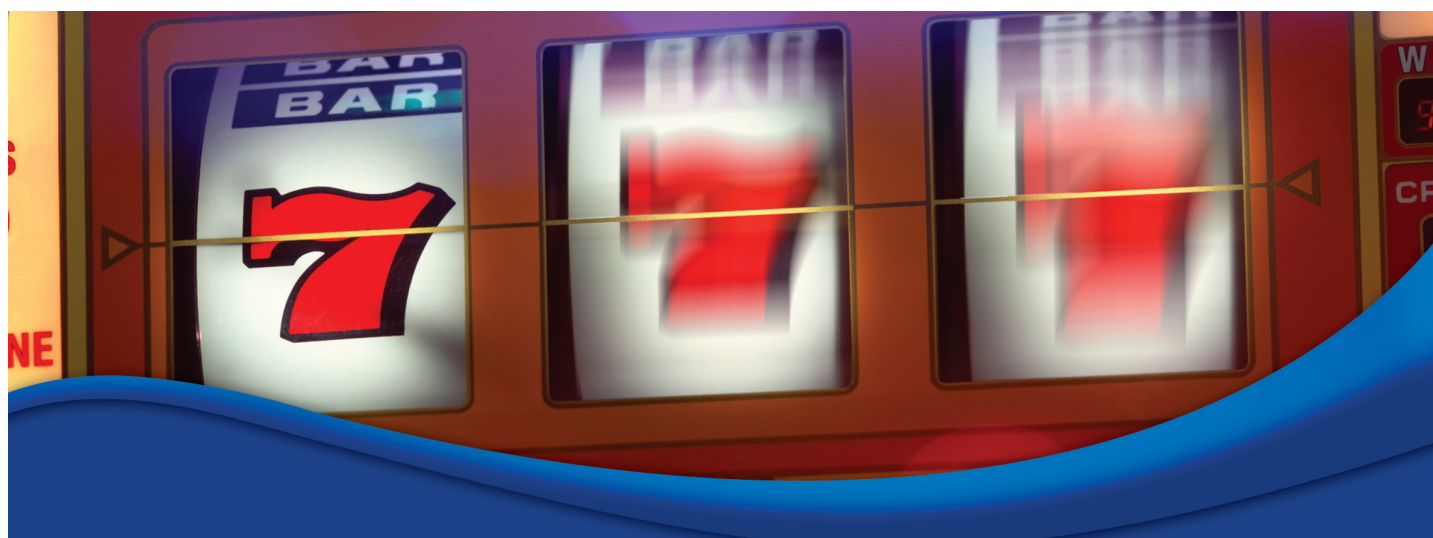
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D.C. transit train crashes into another, killing six

By BRETT ZONGKER

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — One Metro transit train smashed into the rear of another at the height of the capital city's Monday evening rush hour, killing at least six people and injuring scores of others as the front end of the trailing train jackknifed violently into the air and fell atop the first. Cars of both trains were ripped open and smashed together in the worst accident in the Metrorail system's 33-year history. District of Columbia fire spokesman Alan Etter said crews had to cut some people out of what he described as a "mass casualty event." Rescue workers propped steel ladders up to the upper train cars to help survivors scramble to safety. Seats from the smashed cars spilled out onto the track.

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District of Columbia Fire and Emergency workers at the site of a rush-hour collision between two Metro transit trains in northeast Washington, D.C. Monday, June 22, 2009.

Associated Press

Immigration agency says backlog virtually gone

ANABELLE GARAY

Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — FBI name checks on people seeking to work or live in the United States or become citizens are getting completed more quickly, slicing through a backlog that had left some petitions pending for more than a year, immigration officials said Monday. The FBI hired more workers, beefed up its training programs and upgraded its technology to handle the average of 6 million to 7 million applications that stream through the agency each year, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services officials said. The delays came during the FBI's routine

checks for possible criminal backgrounds and national security questions. But now, nearly all name check requests submitted to the FBI are being answered within 30 days. The remaining 2 percent are finished within 90 days, USCIS officials said. "The FBI has made great strides ... and shown it's capable of sustaining that service level," Michael Aytes, acting deputy director of Citizenship and Immigration Services, told The Associated Press. Petitions that require more evaluation or interaction with other agencies are not included in the FBI name check backlog count, immigration officials said. *Continued on Page B3*



U.S. Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano speaks after signing a pact, known as the Shiprider program, with Canadian Public Safety Minister Peter Van Loan in Detroit, Tuesday, May 26, 2009.

Associated Press

Obama, citing his smoking woes, signs tobacco law



President Barack Obama, surrounded by members of Congress, and others, signs the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act, Monday, June 22, 2009, in the Rose Garden of the White House in Washington.

Associated Press

PHILIP ELLIOTT

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama cited his own long struggle to quit the cigarettes he got hooked on as a teenager as he signed the strongest-ever U.S. anti-smoking bill Monday and praised it for providing critically needed protections for kids.

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In this Oct. 24, 2006 file photo, North Korean ship, the Kang Nam I, is anchored in Hong Kong waters. The U.S. military is tracking the ship that may be carrying illicit weapons, the first vessel monitored under tougher new United Nations rules meant to rein in and punish the Stalinist state after it conducted a nuclear test, officials said Thursday, June 18, 2009.

Associated Press

Official: North Korean ship carrying weapons to Myanmar

HYUNG-JIN KIM

Associated Press Writer

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — A North Korean-flagged ship under close watch in Asian waters is believed to be heading toward Myanmar carrying small arms cargo banned under a new U.N. resolution, a South Korean intelligence official said Monday.

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Michelle Obama kicks off summer volunteer campaign

MICHELLE LOCKE

Associated Press Writer

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)

— First lady Michelle Obama kicked off a summer of community service Monday by helping fix up a school playground, part of a national effort that saw administration officials traveling all over the country to promote the value of volunteering.

The initiative, known as United We Serve, was announced by President Barack Obama in a video message last week.

The president is urging people to help in the country's economic recovery by volunteering at schools and hospitals and pitching in on community needs ranging from tutoring to park cleanup. Michelle Obama went to work by joining California first lady Maria Shriver and several hundred local volunteers at Bret Harte Elementary School in San Francisco, where the playground is being refurbished to include an edible garden with a farmers market stand where kids and seniors can sell vegetables to raise money for the school.

Obama said that community service is "not something that we just started to do in the



First Lady Michelle Obama, left, and California First Lady Maria Shriver cheer at the dedication of a playground at an elementary school in San Francisco, Monday, June 22, 2009.

White House. It's been sort of the air that we breathe in the Obama household in so many ways."

She also talked about the importance of children getting exercise, adding that at the White House they've instituted "Camp Obama," which means the TV and computers are off until after dinner and right before bedtime — "Bedtime

is early."

A swing set has been installed and the Obama girls "get to swing on the swings, climb on the jungle gym. They're playing; they don't even know that they're getting exercise. That's the value of play and that's what we need to get our kids to do in this community — but we have to provide them with resources to make

that happen," she said.

Later, the first lady was to speak at the 2009 National Conference on Volunteering and Service.

Veterans Affairs Secretary Eric Shinseki in Washington and other senior VA officials volunteered at hospitals, at homeless shelters and in other ways.

Tammy Duckworth, a VA

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assistant secretary who lost both her legs and partial use of one arm in an attack in Iraq in 2004, recalled a fellow veteran offering to wash her hair when she was injured and another volunteer pulling up a blanket for her when she was on a gurney in a hospital hall and unable to move her arms. "Sometimes, it's the smallest gesture that makes the difference to these vets," Duckworth said.

Other officials promoting the event included Attorney General Eric H. Holder Jr., who was to play basketball and talk with young people at the Police Athletic League in Philadelphia.

In Denver, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate, a former volunteer firefighter, met with firefighters and other emergency workers.

Housing Secretary Shaun Donovan was set to help rebuild a home in New Orleans.

United We Serve is led by the government-run Corporation for National and Community Service. People who want to volunteer can visit <http://www.serve.gov> to look for local opportunities. □

Group wants Senate to investigate Ensign's affair

By KEVIN FREKING

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON—A watchdog group says it will file a complaint with the Senate Ethics Committee asking lawmakers to investigate the circumstances surrounding an affair that Sen. John Ensign had with a campaign aide.

Ensign, R-Nev., acknowledged last week that he was involved in a sexual relationship from December 2007 through August 2008. The aide was identified by her attorney as Cindy Hampton, who had worked for two Ensign political groups.

After spending the last six days in Nevada, Ensign returned to Washington on Monday. He entered his Senate office in mid-afternoon, declining to

take questions from reporters. Officials at Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington said they would ask lawmakers to investigate the source and amount of any severance payments to Hampton. They also said they would ask the committee to investigate whether her departure was voluntary from positions with his Battle Born Political Action Committee and Ensign for Senate.

Melanie Sloan, the executive director of Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics, cited a letter from Cynthia Hampton's husband, Doug, as one reason the case needed investigation. Doug Hampton, a former top aide in Ensign's Senate office, said the senator's conduct "led to our dismissal

in April of 2008."

Such a dismissal would have violated a Senate rule that bars employment discrimination, Sloan said.

It will likely be Wednesday before her group files its complaint with the Ethics Committee, Sloan said. She said the complaint is necessary because senators have shown little enthusiasm in the past for conducting sex-related investigations involving colleagues.

Sloan also questioned Ensign's explanation for acknowledging the affair several months after it had ended. Ensign's office said he disclosed the affair after learning that a TV reporter had been approached about it. Last Friday, Ensign's office said an attorney for



Sen. John Ensign, R-Nev. is seen talking with reporters on his way to a vote on Monday, June 22, 2009 on Capitol Hill in Washington.

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Doug Hampton had made "exorbitant demands for cash and other financial benefits." An aide with the Senate Ethics Committee declined to comment on whether the committee was conducting an inquiry concerning Ensign. On the Senate floor during a vote on a tourism bill, several lawmakers took time to speak with Ensign.

Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan., talked with Ensign for several minutes and Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., gave him a quick embrace. Republican Sen. Jeff Sessions of Alabama patted Ensign's hand. Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, shook Ensign's hand, and the two stood side-by-side for about a minute in silence as the vote continued. □

S.C. governor's whereabouts unknown, even to wife

BY JIM DAVENPORT

Associated Press Writer

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Where is South Carolina's governor?

The lieutenant governor doesn't know, and neither does a state senator who's a close confidante. Even Gov. Mark Sanford's wife is in the dark.

And while his staff said they knew where he was, a spokesman said he wasn't aware that any of them had spoken with the governor since Thursday. Sanford's wife said she hasn't heard from him in several days, including Father's Day.

"He was writing something and wanted some space to get away from the kids," Jenny Sanford told The Associated Press while vacationing with the couple's four sons at their Sullivan's Island beach house. She said she didn't know where he was, but wasn't concerned.

Sanford, who's also chairman of the Republican Governors Association, earned a reputation as the nation's most vocal anti-bailout governor by refusing \$700 million in federal stimulus money for schools until he lost a court battle earlier this month.

His spokesman Joel Sawyer said the governor was taking a break after losing the fight.

"Gov. Sanford is taking some time away from the office this week to recharge after the stimulus battle and the legislative session and to work on a couple of projects that have fallen by the wayside," Sawyer said.

Sawyer told The Associated Press that he hadn't spoken with Sanford since Thursday and wasn't aware that any other member of the governor's staff had, either. The governor told his staff where he was going last week and planned to check in.

"If an emergency arose and we were unable to immediately reach him, we would obviously consult with other state officials before making any decisions," including Bauer, Sawyer said.

Sawyer wouldn't say where the Sanford was, but said it was an area with limited communication.

A post-session wind-down isn't uncommon and he goes "out of pocket for a few days at a time to clear his head," Sawyer said. "Obviously, that's going to be somewhat out of the question this time given the attention this particular absence has gotten."

Asked how he knew the governor was OK, Sawyer referred a reporter to his prepared statements. "Again, this is not unusual. We are not at all concerned," Sawyer said. He expected Sanford



would return later this week. Law enforcement officials who handle his security declined to comment and Sawyer wouldn't say whether Sanford had a security detail with him. Sanford is known for taking walks and runs without security, but flight logs show he seldom leaves the state without it.

Sanford typically is open about his whereabouts, and his office makes no secret of time spent on vacation or out of state.

But politicians, including the lieutenant governor, said they did not know Sanford was taking time away from his office.

State Sen. Tom Davis, a Beaufort Republican, Sanford confidante and former chief of staff, said his calls to Sanford were going straight to voice mail. Calls from The Associated Press to the governor's cell phone also went to voice mail.

Lt. Gov. Andre Bauer said he didn't know where Sanford

was but said he had not been put in charge.

Sanford's critics were quick to criticize the governor.

"It's one thing for the boys to go off by themselves, but on Fathers Day to leave your family behind? That's erratic," said Senate Minority Leader John Land, D-Manning.

Sanford's unannounced absence was a cause for concern because the National Guard and the state's top law enforcement agencies report to him, Land said.

"And when those officials can't get in touch with the commander, it's really weird. That's not responsible," he said.

Sen. Jake Knotts, a Lexington Republican and a persistent Sanford critic, said the state needs to know where its governor is.

"The way things are in the world today and homeland security, we need the governor to be fingertips away," Knotts said. "Somebody's got to be in charge." □

IMMIGRATION

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Currently, some 6,000 cases are pending with Citizenship and Immigration Services, including some in which the application was filed several years ago, Aytes said.

"They are being looked at, they don't just sit on a shelf," said Gregory Smith, the agency's assistant director for national security and records verification directorate.

The volume of pending FBI name checks peaked in November 2007 when there were about 350,000 pending cases. At the time, more than half had been waiting for more than three months and a large number had been pending for more than a year, Aytes said.

In April 2008, the two agencies established milestones and priorities for the name checks. The goals required processing all name checks pending more than three years by May 2008, those pending more than two years by July 2008, and requests pending more than one year by November 2008.

A government audit issued in June 2008 found the FBI had been using old technology and workers without enough training to do security checks.

That same month, a group of Muslim immigrants seeking U.S. citizenship in Missouri filed a federal class-action lawsuit claiming they had been made to wait for months or years because of slow background checks. □

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President Barack Obama delivers remarks in the Rose Garden of the White House in Washington, Monday, June 22, 2009, before signing the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act. From left are, Sen. Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J., Vice President Joe Biden, the president, and Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa.

Associated Press



Christopher Kelly, the former chief fundraiser for ousted Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich, leaves the federal building in Chicago, Monday, June 22, 2009, after he was sentenced to 37 months in prison for hiding his use of company funds to pay gambling debts and other expenses from the Internal Revenue Service.

Associated Press

MIKE ROBINSON

AP Legal Affairs Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — Ousted Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich's former chief fundraiser was

Former gov's fundraiser gets three years in prison

sentenced Monday to three years in prison for hiding the use of his company's money to pay thousands of dollars in gambling debts and other expenses.

Christopher G. Kelly, 50, who was a key member of Blagojevich's inner circle, also was fined \$7,500 and ordered to pay more than \$600,000 in restitution to the federal government.

"I need the sentence to reflect the seriousness" of the crime, U.S. District Judge Elaine E. Bucklo said in handing down the 37-month sentence.

The case is another black mark against the embattled Blagojevich, who federal prosecutors say that as governor schemed to profit financially and politically

from his power to award state contracts, appoint people to government boards and name President Barack Obama's replacement in the U.S. Senate.

As head of the campaign fund, Kelly helped Blagojevich raise millions of dollars to bankroll his races for governor. Along with convicted influence-peddler Tony Rezko, Kelly emerged as one of Blagojevich's top advisers.

The tax case is separate from the one in which Kelly and Blagojevich are charged with federal racketeering conspiracy, but prosecutors hope Kelly will share his inside knowledge of the former governor's administration. He might prove a highly persuasive witness if Blagojevich goes to trial. □

TABACCO LAWS

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"The decades-long effort to protect our children from the harmful effects of tobacco has emerged victorious," Obama said at a signing ceremony in the White House Rose Garden. The bill marks the latest legislative victory for Obama's first five months. Among his other successes: a \$787 billion economic stimulus bill, legislation to expand a state program providing children's health

insurance and a bill making it easier for workers to sue for pay discrimination.

The president has frequently spoken, in the White House and on the campaign trail, of his own struggles to quit smoking. He brought it up during Monday's ceremony while criticizing the tobacco industry for marketing its products to young people. Obama said almost 90 percent of people who smoke began at age 18 or younger, snared in a dangerous and hard-to-kick habit.

"I know — I was one of these teenagers," Obama said. "So I know how difficult it can be to break this habit when it's been with you for a long time." Before dozens of invited guests, including children from the Campaign for Tobacco Free Kids, the president signed legislation giving the Food and Drug Administration unprecedented authority to regulate tobacco.

Obama accused the tobacco industry of targeting young people, exposing them to a "constant and insidious barrage of advertising where they live, where they learn and where they play. Most insidiously, they are offered products with flavorings that mask the taste of tobacco and make it even more tempting."

The new law bans candy and fruit flavors in tobacco products, and it limits advertising that could attract young people.

The Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act also allows the FDA to lower the amount of addiction-causing nicotine in tobacco products and block misleading labels such as "low tar" and "light." Tobacco companies also will be required to cover their cartons with large graphic warnings.

The law won't let the FDA ban nicotine or tobacco outright.

"It is a law that will save American lives," Obama said.

Anti-smoking advocates looked forward to the bill after years of attempts to control an industry so fundamental to the U.S. that carved tobacco leaves adorn some parts of the Capitol building.

Opponents from tobacco-growing states such as top-producing North Carolina argued that the FDA had proved through a series of food safety failures that it was not up to the job of regulation. They also said that instead of unrealistically trying to get smokers to quit or to prevent others from starting, lawmakers should ensure that people have other options, like smokeless tobacco.

As president, George W. Bush opposed the legislation and threatened a veto after it passed the House last year. The Obama administration, by contrast, issued a statement declaring strong support for the measure. □

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D.C. TRAIN

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D.C. Mayor Adrian Fenty said six were dead. Fire Chief Dennis Rubin said rescue workers treated 76 people at the scene and sent some of them to local hospitals, six with critical injuries. A Metro official said the dead included the female operator of the trailing train. Her name was not immediately released. The crash around 5 p.m. EDT took place on the system's red line, Metro's busiest, which runs below ground for much of its length but is at ground level at the accident site near the Maryland border in northeast Washington. Metro chief John Catoe said the first train was stopped on the tracks, waiting for another to clear the station ahead, when the trailing train plowed into it from behind.

Officials had no explanation for the accident. The National Transportation Safety Board took charge of the investigation and sent a team to the site of the worst accident in the Metro system's 33-year history. DC police and the FBI also had investigators at the scene to help search the wreckage for any overlooked injured or dead passengers and evidence. Each train had six cars and was capable of holding as many as 1,200 people. Safety Board member Debbie Hersman said the trains were bound for downtown. That would mean they were less likely to be filled during the afternoon rush hour. More than 200 firefighters from D.C., Maryland and Virginia eventually converged on the scene. Sabrina Webber, a 45-year-old Real estate agent

who lives in the neighborhood, said the first rescuers to arrive had to use the "jaws of life" to pry open a wire fence along rail line to get to the train. Webber raced to the scene after hearing a loud boom like a "thunder crash" and then sirens. She said there was no panic among the survivors. Passenger Jodie Wickett, a nurse, told CNN she was seated on one train, sending text messages on her phone, when she felt the impact. She said she sent a message to someone that it felt like the train had hit a bump. "From that point on, it happened so fast, I flew out of the seat and hit my head." Wickett said she stayed at the scene and tried to help. She said "people are just in very bad shape." "The people that were hurt, the



ones that could speak, were calling back as we called out to them," she said. "Lots of people were upset and crying, but there were no screams." One man said he was riding a bicycle across a bridge over the Metro tracks when the sound of the crash got his attention. "I didn't see any panic," Barry Student said. "The whole situation was so surreal." Homeland Security Department spokeswoman Amy Kudwa said less than two hours after the crash that federal authorities had no indication of any terrorism connection. "I don't know the reason for

this accident," Metro's Catoe said. "I would still say the system is safe, but we've had an incident." The only other time in Metrorail's 33-year history that there were passenger fatalities was on Jan. 13, 1982, when three people died as a result of a derailment underneath downtown. That was a day of disaster in the capital — shortly before the subway crash, an Air Florida plane slammed into the 14th Street Bridge immediately after takeoff in a severe snowstorm from Washington National Airport across the Potomac River. The plane crash killed 78 people. □

Quake jolts Anchorage, Alaska, but damage minimal

By **RACHEL D'ORO**
Associated Press Writer

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — A strong earthquake jolted Alaska's most populous region Monday, sending residents and office workers diving under desks and huddling in doorways but causing almost no damage. The U.S. Geological Survey said the 5.4 magnitude temblor struck about 24 miles from the town of Willow at 11:28 a.m. The rumbling lasted several moments in Anchorage, 58 miles from the epicenter, and was felt as far south as Kenai and north to Fairbanks, a span of 300 miles. "Things were swinging pretty good and shaking, like pictures on the wall, bottles rattling — and my blood pressure went up at least 20 points," said Pam Rannals, a bartender in Talkeetna, about 30 miles from the epicenter. "We had bears in the parking lot last night and now the earthquake. Those are the talk of the town." No damage other than fallen dishes has been reported anywhere, and Rannals said even the liquor bottles at her workplace stayed put. Gov. Sarah Palin noted the earthquake on her Twitter account. "All shook up ...

thankful there are no reports of injury or damage," she wrote. The quake was 26 miles deep, a reason for both the minimal damage and the vast area over which it was felt, according to Janet Herr, an employee fielding many of the calls residents were making to the West Coast and Alaska Tsunami Warning Center. Anchorage has about 285,000 residents, most of the vast state's population. Still, Monday's widely felt earthquake was enough to force a nervous pause among residents. At the Anchorage office of the National Wildlife Federation, even the office dog, Oliver, trembled and wagged his tail slowly. Office manager Heather McGee watched as her cup of tea shook near her keyboard. "I'm unscathed, but my tea spilled," she said. The tsunami center reported the magnitude at a slightly weaker 5.3 and said no tsunami was generated. Aftershocks shook the area, with one around noon measuring 4.0. The earthquake was 70 miles west of the 800-mile trans-Alaska oil pipeline and operations were not affected, said Katie Pesznecker, a spokeswoman for Alyeska

Pipeline Service Co. The pipeline, which carries about 715,000 barrels of crude daily, is designed to withstand magnitudes as high as 8.5, she said. Two unrelated quakes measuring 5.6 and 5.4 struck later in Alaska's remote western Aleutian Islands more than 1,000 miles to the southwest. There were no reports they caused any damage, said Natasha Ruppert, a seismologist at the Alaska Earthquake Information Center. Alaska is seismically active, and has frequent earthquakes although most are too small or too remote to be felt. The last one that measured stronger was a 5.8 in southern Alaska on Jan. 24. Monday's earthquakes had nothing to do with Mount Redoubt, Alaska's most active volcano with a series of explosions earlier this year. Dave Schneider, a geophysicist at the Alaska Volcano Observatory, said the volcano's seismic instruments more than 100 miles from the epicenter picked up the Willow temblor, which he enjoyed from his Anchorage office. "I thought it was kind of fun, but I'm like that," he said. □



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Still, analysts say a high seas interception — something North Korea has said it would consider an act of war — is unlikely.

The Kang Nam, accused of engaging in illicit trade in the past, is the first vessel monitored under the new sanctions designed to punish the North for its defiant nuclear test last month. The U.S. military began tracking the ship after it left a North Korean port on Wednesday on suspicion it was carrying illicit weapons.

A South Korean intelligence official said Monday that his agency believes the North Korean ship is carrying small weapons and is sailing toward the Myanmar city of Yangon.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity citing the sensitive nature of the information, said he could provide no further details.

Myanmar's military government, which faces an arms embargo from the U.S. and the European Union, reportedly has bought weapons from North Korea in the past.

The Irrawaddy, an online magazine operated by independent exiled journalists from Myanmar, reported Monday that the North Korean ship would dock at the Thilawa port, some 20 miles south of Yangon, in the next few days.

The magazine cited an unidentified port official as saying that North Korean ships have docked there in the past. The magazine's in-depth coverage of Myanmar has been generally reliable in the past.

South Korean television network YTN reported Sunday that the ship was streaming toward Myanmar but said the vessel appeared to be carrying missiles and related parts.

The report cited an unidentified intelligence source in South Korea.

Kim Jin-moo, an analyst at Seoul's state-run Korea Institute for Defense Analyses, said the North is believed to have sold guns, artillery and other small weapons to Myanmar but not missiles, which it has been accused of exporting to Iran and Syria.

The U.N. sanctions, which toughen an earlier arms embargo against North Korea, ban the country from exporting all weapons and weapons-related material, meaning any weapons shipment to Myanmar would violate the resolution.

The Security Council resolution calls on all 192 U.N. member states to inspect North Korean vessels on the high seas "if they have information that provides reasonable grounds to believe that the cargo" contains banned weapons or material to make them. But that requires approval from the North. If the North refuses to give approval, it must direct the vessel "to an appropriate and convenient port for the required inspection by the local authorities."

North Korea, however, is unlikely to allow any inspection of its cargo, making an interception unlikely, said Hong Hyun-ik, an analyst at the Sejong Institute think tank outside Seoul.

A senior U.S. military official told The Associated Press on Friday that a Navy ship, the USS John S. McCain, is relatively close to the North Korean vessel but had no orders to intercept it. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the issue.

Any chance for an armed skirmish between the two ships is low, analysts say, though the North Korean crew is possibly armed with rifles.

"It's still a cargo ship. A cargo ship can't confront a warship," said Baek Seung-joo of the Korea Institute for Defense Analyses. Tension on the Korean peninsula has been running high since the North's May 25 nuclear test, with Pyongyang and Washington exchanging near-daily accusations against each other.

President Barack Obama assured Americans in an interview broadcast Monday that the U.S. is prepared for any move North Korea might make amid media reports that Pyongyang is planning a long-range missile test in early July.

"This administration — and our military — is fully prepared for any contingencies," Obama said during an interview with CBS News' "The Early Show."

Still, ever defiant, North Korea declared itself a "proud nuclear power" and warned Monday that it would strike if provoked.

"As long as our country has become a proud nuclear power, the U.S. should take a correct look at whom it is dealing with," the country's main Rodong Sinmun said in commentary. "It would be a grave mistake for the U.S. to think it can remain unhurt if it ignites the fuse of war on the Korean peninsula." □

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Iranian riot police use force to break up protest

JIM HEINTZ

Associated Press Writer

CAIRO (AP) — Riot police attacked hundreds of demonstrators with tear gas and fired live bullets in the air to disperse a rally in central Tehran Monday, carrying out a threat by the country's most powerful security force to crush any further opposition protests over the disputed presidential election.

Britain, accused by Iran of fomenting post-election unrest, said it was evacuating the families of diplomats and other officials based in Iran — the first country to do so as Iran's worst internal conflict since the 1979 Islamic Revolution escalated.

Witnesses said helicopters hovered overhead as about 200 protesters gathered at Haft-e-Tir Square. But hundreds of anti-riot police quickly put an end to the demonstration and prevented any gathering, even small groups, at the scene.

At the subway station at Haft-e-Tir, the witnesses said police did not allow anyone to stand still, asking them to keep on walking and separating people who were walked together. The witnesses asked not to be identified for fear of government reprisals.

Just before the clashes, an Iranian woman who lives in Tehran said there was a heavy police and security presence in another square in central Tehran. She asked not to be identified because she was worried about government reprisals. "There is a massive, massive, massive police presence," she told The Associated Press in Cairo by telephone. "Their presence was really intimidating."

Iran says at least 17 protesters have been killed in a week of unrest so far after the electoral council declared hard-line President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad winner of the June 12 election. His main challenger, Mir Hossein Mousavi, charged the election was a fraud and insists he is the true winner. His followers have been staging near-daily rallies, at least one of them drawing a massive crowds of hundreds of thousands.

Severe restrictions on reporters have made it almost impossible to independently verify any reports on demonstrations,



In this photograph posted on the internet, Iranian riot police clash with demonstrators in Tehran, Iran Saturday June 20, 2009.

clashes and casualties. Iran has ordered reporters for foreign news agencies to stay in their offices, barring them from any reporting on the streets.

The country's highest electoral authority, the Guardian Council, acknowledged on Monday that there were voting irregularities in 50 electoral districts, the most serious official admission so far of problems in the election. But the council insisted the problems do not affect the outcome of the vote.

Earlier Monday, the elite Revolutionary Guard issued its sternest warning so far in the post-election crisis. It warned protesters to "be prepared for a resolution and revolutionary confrontation with the Guards, Basij and other security forces and disciplinary forces" if they continue their near-daily rallies. The Basij, a plainclothes militia under the command of the Revolutionary Guard, have been used to quell street protests that erupted after the election result was announced. The Guard statement ordered demonstrators to "end the sabotage and rioting activities" and said their resistance is a "conspiracy" against Iran. On Sunday, acting joint chief of the armed forces Gen. Gholam Ali Rashid issued a thinly veiled warning to Mousavi, saying "we are determined to confront plots by enemies aimed at creating a rift in the nation."

Ali Nader, an Iran specialist for the RAND Corp. think tank, said the Guard's crackdown threat was no surprise.

"I don't think their willingness to crack down was ever in

doubt. They won't let these protests grow — this was the way the shah was brought down" in 1979, Nader said, but added: "Even if the protests peter out, you can expect a strong opposition movement in Iran."

Mousavi vowed Sunday night to keep up the protests, in defiance of Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, who holds ultimate power in Iran. In a sermon to tens of thousands on Friday, Khamenei said demonstrators must stop their street protests or face the consequences and he firmly backed Ahmadinejad's victory. "The country belongs to you," Mousavi's latest statement said. "Protesting lies and fraud is your right."

Mousavi's Web site called Monday for supporters to turn on their car lights in the late afternoon as a sign of protest. Mousavi's latest statements posted on his Web site also warned supporters of danger ahead, and said he would stand by the protesters "at all times." But he said he would "never allow anybody's life to be endangered because of my actions" and called for pursuing fraud claims through an independent board.

The former prime minister, a longtime loyalist of the Islamic government, also called the Basij and military "our brothers" and "protectors of our revolution and regime." He may be trying to constrain his followers' demands before they pose a mortal threat to Iran's system of limited democracy constrained by Shiite clerics,

who have ultimate authority.

Mousavi ally and former president Mohammad Khatami said in a statement that "protest in a civil manner and avoiding disturbances in the definite right of the people and all must respect that."

Britain's Foreign Office said it was pulling staffers' dependents out because "the families of our staff have been unable to carry out their lives as usual."

In Washington, President Barack Obama said he does not want to become a scapegoat for Iran's leadership as the postelection upheaval continues, but Republicans continued criticizing him for being overly cautious.

The Czech EU presidency summoned the Iranian charge d'affaires to reject claims by Iran that the 27-nation bloc has been interfering in its internal affairs. Iran state media reported at least 10 people were killed in the fiercest clashes yet on Saturday and 100 were injured. A graphic video that appears to show a young woman dying within minutes after she was shot during Saturday's demonstrations has become the iconic image seen by millions around the world on video-sharing sites such as YouTube. Police said Monday that 457 people were arrested on Saturday alone, but did not say how many have been arrested throughout the week of turmoil.

The country's highest electoral authority agreed last week to investigate some opposition complaints of problems in the voting. The Guardian

Council said Monday it found irregularities in 50 voting districts, but that this has no effect on election outcome. Council spokesman Abbas Ali Kadkhodaei was quoted on the state TV Web site as saying that its probe showed more votes were cast in these constituencies than there were registered voters.

But this "has no effect on the result of the elections," he said.

Mousavi has demanded that the election result be annulled and a new vote held.

Khatami said "taking complaints to bodies that are required to protect people's rights, but are themselves subject to criticism, is not a solution" -- effectively accusing the Council of collusion in vote fraud.

The government has intensified a crackdown on independent media — expelling a BBC correspondent, suspending the Dubai-based network Al-Arabiya and detaining at least two local journalists for U.S. magazines.

English-language state television said an exile group known as the People's Mujahedeen had a hand in the street violence and broadcast what it said were confessions of British-controlled agents.

The exile group, also called the Mujahedeen-e-Khalq, is the military wing of the Paris-based National Council of Resistance of Iran. The council says it is dedicated to a democratic, secular government in Iran, but the military wing has been blacklisted by the United States and the European Union as a terrorist organization.

The Foreign Ministry lashed out at foreign media and Western governments, with ministry spokesman Hasan Qashqavi accusing them of "a racial mentality that Iranians belong to the Third World."

"Meddling by Western powers and international media is unacceptable," he said at a news conference shown on state TV, taking particular aim at French President Nicolas Sarkozy.

"How can a Western president, like the French president, ask for nullification of Iranian election results?" Qashqavi said. "I regret such comments." □



Police and military investigators examine the site of an explosion of President of the North Caucasus republic of Ingushetia, Yunus-Bek Yevkurov's car near Nazran, center of a region, southern Russia, Monday, June 22, 2009. A suicide car bomber attacked a convoy carrying the president of the troubled Russian province of Ingushetia Monday, critically wounding him and killing two bodyguards - the latest in a string of assassination attempts that have roiled the North Caucasus.

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NAZRAN, Russia (AP) — A suicide bomber badly wounded a provincial president in Russia's North Caucasus on Monday, an assassination attempt that undermined the Kremlin's claim that it has brought stability to the predominantly Muslim region.

Yunus Bek Yevkurov was the third top official to be wounded or killed in the last three weeks in the area of southern Russia around Chechnya, which was devastated by two separatist wars in the last 15 years.

No one immediately claimed responsibility for the bombing in Ingushetia province, where

Yevkurov has tried to halt violence by Islamic militants. A car rigged with TNT exploded as the presidential convoy traveled outside the provincial center, Nazran. The blast tore Yevkurov's armored sedan to pieces and killed two of his bodyguards.

Yevkurov spokesman Kaloi Akhilgov said the president suffered a serious concussion and broken ribs, but that his life was not in danger. Hospital and emergency officials, however, said Yevkurov was in critical condition with burns, brain injuries and damage to internal organs.

Yevkurov's burnt-out car stood in the grass off the roadside, its windows shattered, its

Leader of Russian region wounded in suicide attack

wheels missing and most of its front end destroyed. Shrapnel was scattered for hundreds of meters (yards) and there was blood on the ground in several places. Two roadside houses had their roofs damaged and their windows shattered.

Russia's chief prosecutor said Yevkurov was most likely targeted by militants or local criminal clans angry about his crackdown on corruption.

Rebels have felt increasingly cornered under Yevkurov, a former military intelligence officer who was named president in October as the Kremlin sought to bring a measure of stability to Ingushetia. The province had been plunged into violence under the previous leader, former KGB officer Murat Zyazikov.

Russian President Dmitry Medvedev called for "direct and ruthless" action against the perpetrators of the attack. Alexei Malashenko, a North Caucasus expert at the Carnegie Moscow Center, said the attack demonstrated the federal government's inability to stem the spread of Islamic militancy in the region. "The Kremlin can't control anything in the Caucasus," he said.

Malashenko said that while

Yevkurov made enemies among corrupt officials in the region, the attack was most likely triggered by his actions against Islamic militants, who have moved easily between Chechnya and Ingushetia. The attack came exactly five years after Chechen militants raided law enforcement offices in Nazran on June 22, 2004 — a coincidence that appeared to signal rebel involvement.

Last month, Yevkurov pooled efforts with Chechnya's Kremlin-backed President Ramzan Kadyrov to conduct a security sweep along the forested border between the two provinces.

"The attempt to kill Yevkurov was a response to the joint operation by Chechen and Ingush police," said Yulia Latynina, a political commentator who writes extensively about the North Caucasus. "Yevkurov has been very efficient on the job, and he angered the militants."

While going after rebel leaders, the Ingush president also sought to negotiate pardons for some rebels who would agree to put down their weapons, as Kadyrov did in Chechnya.

Yevkurov had also moved quickly to end abuses against

civilians by security forces — actions that contrasted sharply with the repressive rule of his predecessor and quickly made him popular in the region.

He flew economy class and until recently had refused to use an armored vehicle, Latynina said.

"Yevkurov was absolutely fearless," she said. "He was a model officer."

Ingushetia, one of Russia's poorest regions, saw its scare resources drained by an influx of refugees from Chechnya. While Chechnya has become relatively more stable under Kadyrov, Ingushetia and other neighboring provinces have been increasingly plagued by violence.

On June 10, gunmen killed a deputy chief justice of Ingushetia's Supreme Court opposite a kindergarten in Nazran as she dropped off her children. Three days later, the region's former deputy prime minister was gunned down as he stood outside his home in Nazran.

On June 5, the top law enforcement officer of another North Caucasus region, Dagestan, was killed by a sniper as he stood outside a restaurant where a wedding was taking place. □

UK lawmakers elect new speaker of House of Commons

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LONDON (AP) — British lawmakers have elected a new speaker of the House of Commons, part of a bid to put the political storm over their lavish taxpayer-funded expenses behind them.

Opposition lawmaker John Bercow was elected Monday to replace former speaker Michael Martin, the first presiding officer forced out in more than 300 years.

Martin was blamed for failing to rein in an expense system that allowed parliamentarians to bill the public for a raft of expenses including pornographic movies, horse

manure and repairs to tennis courts.

Details of the spending, published in The Daily Telegraph newspaper, outraged the public, forced the resignation of several lawmakers and threw British politics into turmoil.

The candidates vying for the top post promised to shake up the House, and Bercow — who was dragged into the speaker's chair in a ceremonial show of mock-reluctance to take the post — promised to deliver.

"We have faced quite the most testing times," Bercow told his colleagues after his election. "It has been a grueling experience. Many members feel very sore

and very vulnerable but large sections of the public also feel angry and disappointed. We do have to reform."

Prime Minister Gordon Brown congratulated Bercow, telling him that lawmakers "have taken an important step in that process of change" and that the House was on the "path to renewal."

Bercow led his fellow members of parliament from the House of Commons to the House of Lords for the approbation ceremony, where he was formally given royal approval and confirmed as the country's 157th speaker.

The speaker must be an elected legislator for a political party,



John Bercow MP sits in the speaker's chair at the House of Commons, in this image made from TV, in London, Monday June 22 2009. Members of Britain's House of Commons elected John Bercow, a member of the main opposition Conservative party, as their new speaker on Monday after the previous holder was forced out amid an expenses scandal.

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but once in office is supposed to be impartial and independent of government — unlike in the U.S., where the speaker of the House of Representatives is often a partisan advocate for

the majority party.

Bercow said his new role demanded he "immediately and permanently to cast aside all of his or her previous political views." □

Sarkozy pledges better chances for minorities

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VERSAILLES, France (AP) — Nicolas Sarkozy pledged Monday to improve the fate of the country's minorities and growing numbers of laid-off workers in the first speech by a French president to parliament in 136 years.

Sarkozy's strongest words in the speech targeted the burqa, a full-body covering worn by some Muslim women. He called them unwelcome in France and a sign of the "debasement" of women.

Speaking at Versailles, France's most famous castle, said he would reshuffle his conservative-led Cabinet on Wednesday, and that fighting discrimination "will be the priority of the next government." He acknowledged that efforts to integrate France's minorities "have not succeeded."

Most of his speech focused on the economy, a "post-crisis" France, and ways of pulling the country out of recession. He said those people laid off for economic reasons should be able to keep their salaries and receive job training for a year afterward. French workers across sectors have protested recession-related job cuts by blocking factories and even kidnapping their bosses in recent months.

Sarkozy said the new Cabinet's

key task would be "to reflect on our national priorities and to put in place a loan to finance them."

He gave no details about how the loan would work.

He said investment is important to keep the economy going, but insisted he would not raise taxes and balloon the country's already heavy debt. France's deficit is estimated at between 7 and 7.5 percent of GDP this year.

"I will not raise taxes because raising taxes would delay the end of the crisis," he said.

He promised to tackle pension reform next year to ensure the system doesn't run out of money for future generations. Sarkozy also called the crisis an opportunity for France's economic recipes.

"The world after the crisis will be a world where France's message will be better heard and better understood," Sarkozy said. "The global economic crisis will lead to a world where the demand for justice, regulation and protection will be stronger."

He made the historic speech in a historic setting. He was greeted by Republican Guards in the palace courtyard graced in the past by French kings, and strode in to the joint parliamentary chamber after undergoing several steps of greeting protocol. Critics said the setting was fitting for a man leftist critics dub a new

emperor.

More than 900 lawmakers from both houses of the legislature — the National Assembly and the Senate — gathered Monday morning for a joint session whose marquee event was Sarkozy's appearance in the afternoon.

The last presidential speech to France's parliament was in 1873, before lawmakers banned the practice to protect the separation of powers and keep the president in check.

The kinetic Sarkozy said soon after his 2007 election that a president should be able to "explain his actions and take stock of his results" once a year before parliament — in an appearance somewhat modeled on the U.S. president's State of the Union speech before Congress.

Many leftists remain opposed to the move, and 54 legislators from the Communist and ecological parties boycotted the speech.

Opponents accuse Sarkozy of being power-hungry and pushing through measures, such as changes to labor laws or opening up universities to private funding, without taking dissenting voices into account.

The daily Liberation ran a front-page cartoon of Sarkozy wearing a jeweled crown, headlined "Nicolas II."

While each house of parliament is normally based



Two women, one wearing the niqab, a veil worn by the most conservative Muslims that exposes only a woman's eyes, right, walk side by side, in the Belsunce district of downtown Marseille, central France, Friday June 19, 2009. The French government's spokesman says he favors the creation of a parliamentary commission to study the small but growing trend of burqa wear in France. Luc Chatel says the commission could possibly propose legislation aimed at banning the burqa and other fully covering garments worn by some Muslim women.

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in Paris, joint sessions are regularly held at Versailles, alongside the tourist-packed museum and resplendent royal grounds. □

NATO thwarts pirate attack off Somalia

BRUSSELS — Pirates tried to hijack a Singaporean freighter off Somalia on Monday, but they were chased down and captured by a NATO warship, the alliance said.

The MV Maersk Phoenix freighter issued an emergency call when it was attacked by the pirates, who were armed with AK-47 automatic rifles and a rocket-propelled grenade launcher, NATO said. The alliance's Portuguese warship Corte-Real gave chase and captured the pirates and their small boat, which also contained two ladders. NATO confiscated the vessel and

the weapons, but freed the eight pirates after consultations with Portuguese authorities.

No casualties were reported among the pirates or the crew of the freighter off the Somali port of Bossaso. Many nations are wary of hauling in pirates for trial for fear of being saddled with them after they serve out prison terms. There is talk of setting up a special piracy tribunal there akin to the International Criminal Court in the Hague. Somalia has long been a lawless, war-torn country, and the waters off its coast are now the world's worst piracy hotspot. □

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Glover holds on for two-shot win at U.S. Open

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AP Golf Writer

FARMINGDALE, New York (AP) — In a final hour packed with emotion, Lucas Glover played a steady hand to win the U.S. Open.

So many amazing stories belonged to contenders all around him Monday at Bethpage Black, from Phil Mickelson's stirring bid to win for his beloved wife as she battles breast cancer, to David Duval coming out of nowhere and almost winning for the first time in eight years.

Glover kept his cap tugged low and played the kind of golf that wins a U.S. Open under any conditions.

He made only one birdie in the rain-delayed final round, and it could not have been timed any better. Glover holed a 6-foot putt on the 16th hole to break one last tie for the lead,



Lucas Glover kisses his trophy after winning the U.S. Open Golf Championship at Bethpage State Park's Black Course in Farmingdale, N.Y., Monday, June 22, 2009.

then held on with pars to close with a 3-over 73 for a two-shot victory.

"It was a test of patience, that's for sure," Glover said. "It was just heart today."

It was sheer heartache for Mickelson.

His wife, Amy, is due to have surgery for breast cancer next week. She left cards and text messages asking him to bring home the silver trophy from a U.S. Open that has taunted Lefty for a decade.

The New York gallery came to life when Lefty rolled in a 35-foot birdie putt on the 12th, and he followed with an approach to 4 feet on the par-5 13th for an eagle that suddenly gave him a share of the lead.

Right when it was in his grasp, though, Mickelson let it slip away again.

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Kahne holds off Stewart for first road course win

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AP Auto Racing Writer

SONOMA, California (AP) — Kasey Kahne gave struggling Richard Petty Motorsports a much-needed boost Sunday, holding off Tony Stewart at Infineon Raceway win the Toyota/Save Mart 350 and snap a 37-race winless streak. Kahne was met in Victory Lane by Richard Petty, who made his first trip as a car owner in more than a decade. A Petty-owned car had not won a race since John Andretti's victory at Martinsville in April, 1999. "I feel just as good as he does," Petty said, clad in his trademark cowboy hat and sunglasses. "It's great, man. It's great."

Petty's race team teetered on the verge of collapse at the end of last season and needed a January merger with Gillett-

Evernham Motorsports to stay in business. The team was rebranded as Richard Petty Motorsports and kicked off the season with a strong showing at the Daytona 500.

But it's been a rough ride, since. Team manufacturer Chrysler is in Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, and funding to RPM has slowed to a crawl as Dodge restructures. The team laid off nine employees earlier this month and made companywide salary cuts, and it's been plagued by whispers of financial instability the last several weeks.

Just Saturday, majority team owner George Gillett agreed to sell the NHL's Montreal Canadiens in a deal that should help him fight any solvency issues.

It's made for a frustrating season for Kahne, the star of the

four-driver team, who at times this year has been vocal about RPM's progress. His criticism prompted team officials to push out a new Dodge engine, and the improved motor had given Kahne hope that there's reason for optimism.

Now he has his first victory on a road course — a remedy for any disgruntled driver.

"I learned how to drive on dirt," Kahne said. "So to come out and win on a road course ... it feels great. I can't believe it."

The victory moved Kahne to 13th in the standings, one spot shy of qualifying for the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship.

Stewart finished second and was followed by Marcos Ambrose, who blew a motor in Saturday's practice that forced him to start at the back of the



Kasey Kahne, center, celebrates after winning the NASCAR Toyota/Save Mart 350 auto race at Infineon Raceway in Sonoma, Calif., Sunday, June 21, 2009. At left is Richard Petty, who was in victory lane as a car owner for the first time in more than a decade.

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field and forfeit his third-place qualifying position.

Jimmie Johnson was fourth and was followed by Denny Hamlin and Juan Pablo Montoya, who moved up two spots in the standings to take the 12th Chase position.

AJ Allmendinger, Kahne's teammate at RPM, was seventh and Clint Bowyer, Jeff Gordon and RPM driver

Elliott Sadler rounded out the top 10.

Kahne led the final 38 laps but had to stave off a final charge from Stewart on an overtime finish.

Scott Speed's spin with two laps to go set up one final restart, and under a NASCAR rule started three races ago, Kahne and Stewart were side-by-side on the restart. □

Roof stays open, Federer wins to start Wimbledon

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AP Sports Writer

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — The new roof wasn't tested. Roger Federer was — briefly.

The retractable roof stayed open Monday at Wimbledon, and Federer fell behind early in the opening match on Centre Court before charging past Yen-hsun Lu of Taiwan, 7-5, 6-3, 6-2.

In his first match since winning the French Open, Federer failed to convert his first four break-point chances, then lost serve to trail 3-2. But he immediately broke back, broke again in the final game of the opening set and dominated from there.

"I'm very happy with my first round," Federer said. "I thought it was a very solid performance."

Seeking his sixth Wimbledon title, Federer won for the 41st time in his past 42 matches at the All England Club. The lone loss came in last year's final to Rafael Nadal, a match hailed by some as the sport's best ever.

The tournament began in cloudy but dry weather. When it rains, the translucent roof on the 87-year-old stadium will be closed so play can continue.

"I guess the moment will come that I'll play indoors here," Federer said. "But you don't really hope for it during the match."

The No. 2-seeded Federer is a strong favorite to win his 15th major title, which would break the record he shares with Pete Sampras.

Advancing on the women's side were 2002-03 champion Serena Williams and 2004 winner Maria Sharapova. No.

17 James Blake was the first seeded player eliminated, but fellow Americans Mardy Fish and Vince Spadea advanced. No. 4-seeded Novak Djokovic also won.

Federer made his entrance sporting a sleek new white warmup outfit with gold trim that included a jacket with a turned-up collar, a vest, slacks and two-toned shoes. The crowd roared when he appeared, and he responded with a wave and smile.

There were more cheers — and a few whistles of approval — when he removed his jacket to reveal the vest.

"Kind of a little bit more modern look — a bit more military jacket this time, but obviously staying true to Wimbledon with the white colors," Federer said. "I hope people like it."

By the time the match started, Federer had stripped down to shorts and a short-sleeve shirt. He was assigned to play the first match on Centre Court after defending champion Nadal withdrew Friday because of sore knees.

"Rafa deserves it obviously more than I do this year," Federer said. "But somebody had to do it, so I'm very happy that they chose me. It gets your heart beating, that's for

sure."

After being broken early, Federer held every service game. He finished with 10 unforced errors and hit 42 winners from all over the court.

One winner was a running backhand from several steps beyond the sideline, which he ripped up the line into the corner to win the point. It was a spectacular shot even by Federer's standards, and the stoic Swiss celebrated with a raised fist as the crowd roared.

Playing second on Centre Court was Serena Williams, who lost only nine points on her serve and beat qualifier Neuza Silva 6-1, 7-5. The No. 2-seeded Williams, runner-up to her sister Venus a year ago, improved to 5-5 since starting the year 21-2.

"I could have played a ton better, especially on key points," Williams said. "That's a usual feeling for me from first round to the finals. I'm really insatiable. I always want more."

Sharapova won the final four games of the first set and beat qualifier Viktoriya Kutuzova 7-5, 6-4.

"She's a very aggressive player," Sharapova said. "She went for many shots very



Roger Federer of Switzerland prepares to serve to Lu Yen-Hsun of Chinese Taipei during their round on tennis match on centre court at Wimbledon, Monday, June 22, 2009.

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freely and loosely, and I was just trying to hold on."

Sharapova, making a comeback from shoulder surgery last October, saved a set point in the opening set with a forehand winner and later shook off two awkward spills behind the baseline.

Blake failed to convert a set point in the third set, squandered a 5-love lead in the ensuing tiebreaker and lost to Andreas Seppi 7-5, 6-4, 7-6 (5). Blake also was eliminated in the first round at the French Open last month.

"I still feel like I can play with anyone in the world, but it's just for some reason lately it has been very inconsistent," Blake said. "I know I still have the ability. It's just frustrating, because it's happening at big tournaments where I'm

having my not-so-good performances."

No. 28-seeded Fish never lost serve and led 6-3, 6-2, 4-1 when Sergio Roitman retired with a right shoulder injury. Roitman, ranked 124th, fell to 0-12 in Grand Slam matches.

"There's nothing that I can do about it," Roitman said. "It's not that I'm not going to sleep at night because of that."

The 34-year-old Spadea, who has been eliminated in the first round at Wimbledon nine times, defeated Paul Capdeville 6-0, 6-4, 7-5.

Surprise French Open runner-up Robin Soderling, seeded 13th, hit 31 aces and beat Gilles Muller 6-7 (4), 7-5, 6-1, 6-2. Djokovic needed more than 3½ hours to beat Julien Benneteau 6-7 (8), 7-6 (1), 6-2, 6-4. □



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MLB Roundup

Pujols drives in six, Cards beat Royals 12-5

KANSAS CITY, Missouri (AP) — Albert Pujols finished off a three-day romp in Kansas City with two homers and six RBIs to help the St. Louis Cardinals rout the Royals 12-5 Sunday in win No. 2,500 for manager Tony La Russa.

Pujols made a mockery of Kansas City pitching in his return to the town where he went to high school, hitting three homers and driving in 10 runs in the Cardinals' three-game sweep over their cross-

state rivals.

The two-time National League MVP had four hits Sunday and delivered the decisive blow in the Cardinals' eight-run fourth inning, pounding his club record-tying third grand slam of the season. He also had a run-scoring single in the first and added his major league-leading 26th homer in the fifth to put the Cardinals up 12-4.

Pujols matched Stan Musial's team record of nine career slams. His fifth multihomer

game this season helped La Russa join Connie Mack (3,831) and John McGraw (2,763) as the only managers with 2,500 victories.

Khalil Greene homered for the third straight game but left in the fourth after being hit on the right knee by a pitch.

Jose Guillen homered for Kansas City, which has allowed 53 runs during a five-game losing streak.

Orioles 2, Phillies 1

At Philadelphia, Brian



St. Louis Cardinals' Albert Pujols watches the ball go over the left field wall for a grand slam in the fourth inning of a baseball game against the Kansas City Royals on Sunday, June 21, 2009, in Kansas City, Mo.

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He missed a three-foot par putt on the 15th hole, and another par putt from eight feet on the 17th that ended his dream finish. Mickelson closed with a 70 and wound up in a three-way tie for second with Duval and 54-hole leader Ricky Barnes.

Mickelson left Bethpage Black with the wrong kind of distinction. He set the U.S. Open record with his fifth runner-up finish.

"Certainly I'm disappointed," Mickelson said, "but now that it's over, I've got more important things going on.

"And," he added, then paused, "oh, well."

Even more stunning was the revival of Duval.

The former No. 1 player in golf came to the U.S. Open as a qualifier who had plunged to No. 882 in the world. Showing remarkable resiliency throughout the week, Duval recovered from another big number — a triple bogey from a plugged lie in a bunker — and surged into a share of the lead with three straight birdies.

Tied for the lead with two holes to play, his 5-foot par putt on the 17th cruelly caught the back of the lip and spun 180 degrees out on the other side. He shot 71 for his best finish on the PGA Tour since he won the British Open eight years ago.

"I stand before you certainly happy with how I played, but



Phil Mickelson reacts after missing a putt on the 18th green during the final round of the U.S. Open Golf Championship at Bethpage State Park's Black Course in Farmingdale, N.Y., Monday, June 22, 2009.

Associated Press

extremely disappointed in the outcome," Duval said. "I had no question in my mind I was going to win the golf tournament today."

Barnes, who set the 36-hole Open scoring record, never had much of a chance. His swing got him into more trouble than he could handle as he went out in 40, 5 over par, and never quite recovered until it was too late. He shot a 76. That left Glover the most unlikely champion.

The 29-year-old from South Carolina, who chews tobacco and listens to Sinatra, had not won since holing out a bunker shot on the final hole at Disney

nearly five years ago.

But this was no fluke.

Once he was handed the lead by Barnes' collapse, Glover was rock-solid on a water-logged course. And when he hit two of his best shots of the final round to the 16th green for his lone birdie, it made for an anticlimactic finish to a U.S. Open that had more delays than drama.

It was the first time the U.S. Open ended on a Monday without a playoff since 1983, courtesy of relentless rain.

Glover finished at 4-under 276, earned \$1.35 million and will move inside the top 20 in the world ranking. □

Roberts had the decisive hit for the second straight game, a tiebreaking single in the eighth inning as Baltimore completed a three-game sweep of Philadelphia.

Roberts hit an RBI single off Cole Hamels (4-3) that made it 2-1 and sent the Orioles to their fifth straight win, matching a season high. Roberts hit a two-run homer with two outs in the ninth off Ryan Madson in a 6-5 win Saturday night.

The World Series champion Phillies have lost a season-worst six straight, getting swept at home in consecutive interleague series by Toronto and Baltimore. Philadelphia fell to 13-22 at home — the Phillies are a major league-best 23-9 on the road.

At Boston, Nick Green homered in right field on the first pitch of the bottom of the ninth inning to give Boston a win over Atlanta.

Green connected off Jeff Bennett (2-4), his fourth homer of the season.

Jonathan Papelbon (1-1) loaded the bases in the ninth but ended the threat by striking out Matt Diaz. David Ortiz hit his sixth homer of the season for the Red Sox, a two-run shot.

At Miami, Hanley Ramirez and Cody Ross homered as Florida held off a late rally to beat the struggling New York Yankees after CC Sabathia left early with an injury.

The game was protested by New York manager Joe Girardi because of an eighth-inning mixup with the Marlins

lineup.

Sabathia came out in the second with tightness in his left biceps and the Marlins took advantage, handing New York its fourth loss in five games — all against Washington and Florida. Sabathia is day to day.

Ramirez tied it with a two-run homer in the fifth, and Ross' solo shot off Brett Tomko (0-2) in the sixth put the Marlins ahead for good.

Alex Rodriguez returned to the Yankees' lineup after being benched the past two games, ending his 0-for-16 skid with a two-run single during his first start ever in his hometown of Miami.

At Detroit, Brandon Inge hit a three-run homer and Justin Verlander pitched into the eighth to help Detroit sweep Milwaukee.

Verlander (8-3), who no-hit the Brewers in his only other start against them, allowed two runs and five hits in 7 2-3 innings.

In other interleague games it was; Detroit 3, Milwaukee 2; Chicago White Sox 4, Cincinnati 1; Tampa Bay 10, N.Y. Mets 6; Boston 6, Atlanta 5; Baltimore 2, Philadelphia 1; Toronto 9, Washington 4; Houston 4, Minnesota 1; St. Louis 12, Kansas City 5; Chicago Cubs 6, Cleveland 2; Colorado 5, Pittsburgh 4; San Diego 4, Oakland 1; San Francisco 3, Texas 2; Seattle 3, Arizona 2; Florida 6, N.Y. Yankees 5; and L.A. Dodgers 5, L.A. Angels 3. □



Indiana Fever's Tamika Catchings, right, is defended by Detroit Shock's Katie Smith during the fourth quarter of a WNBA basketball game in Indianapolis, Sunday, June 21, 2009. Indiana won 82-70.

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WNBA Roundup Fever brings down Shock 82-70

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The Indiana Fever overcame a 17-point deficit in the second half to beat Detroit 82-70 on Sunday and deny Rick Mahorn his first win as the Shock's coach. It was Mahorn's second game as head coach since Bill Laimbeer resigned.

Katie Douglas scored 23 points and Tamika Catchings had 15 points and six assists for the Fever (4-2), who won their fourth straight after losing their first two.

Deanna Nolan scored 16 points and Katie Smith added 15 for the Shock (1-4), who are off to their worst start since 2002. At Phoenix, Lauren Jackson scored 25 points, including a 3-pointer with 1:03 left, as Seattle ended Phoenix' three-game winning streak.

Swin Cash added 22 for Seattle, which tied Phoenix for the best record in the Western Conference at 5-2. Sue Bird had 21 points and nine assists for the Storm, who outrebounded the Mercury 37-22 and outscored them inside 42-26.

In other WNBA action it was, New York 93, Atlanta 81; Connecticut 71, San Antonio 58; Indiana 82, Detroit 70; Seattle 93, Phoenix 84; and Los Angeles 67, Sacramento 47. □

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Protestas se reactivan en Perú

LIMA(Reuters)-Las protestas contra la gestión del presidente Alan García se reactivaron el lunes por demandas de mejoras regionales y laborales, en una nueva tensión social que el Gobierno afirma son promovidas por sectores radicales.

El primer ministro de Perú, Yehude Simon, advirtió en tanto que el Estado no será débil a la hora de establecer el orden en el país, que registró a inicios de junio violentas protestas en la selva norte con 34 policías y nativos amazónicos muertos.

Los nativos lograron la semana pasada, luego de dos meses de protestas, que el Gobierno derogara dos leyes que según ellos afectaban sus territorios, ricos en recursos naturales.

Pero nuevos focos de manifestaciones contra el Gobierno de García aún permanecen y se mantienen en el centro y sur andino, con bloqueos y marchas de miles de personas.

“No amenacen mucho. No se



Imagen de archivo en que el primer ministro de Perú Yehude Simon, saluda a un indígena tras una reunión en la localidad de San Ramón, 15 jun 2009. REUTERS/Andina Agency/Handout/Archivo

vaya a pensar que éste es un Estado débil o un Gobierno débil, la situación de los amazónicos no tiene que ver nada con lo que están haciendo estos grupos”, dijo Simon a periodistas.

Simon dijo que planea viajar el

martes a las zonas en conflicto, las regiones de Andahuaylas y el Cusco.

En Andahuaylas, un pequeño aeropuerto permanece cerrado desde hace casi dos semanas, luego de que campesinos invadieron la pista de aterrizaje

en demanda de solución a problemas regionales y a pedidos de más atención del Estado.

En Cusco, a unos 600 kilómetros al sudeste de Lima, cientos de manifestantes marcharon el lunes por la

ciudad y llegaron hasta las afueras de las instalaciones del aeropuerto de la zona, uno de los más importantes del país debido a los atractivos turísticos como las ruinas incas de Machu Picchu.

Los manifestantes, que habían amenazado invadir y paralizar la actividad del aeropuerto, fueron dispersados por la policía sin que se registraran actos de violencia.

La firma operadora del único tren que llega a Machu Picchu -considerada como una de las siete nuevas maravillas del mundo- evalúa suspender sus servicios el miércoles por falta de garantías, dijo a Reuters un portavoz de la compañía.

El fin de semana, en la localidad de Canchis en el Cusco, pobladores quemaron una pequeña sede de aduanas. Los manifestantes rechazan la construcción de una central hidroeléctrica alegando que la planta los dejaría sin agua y rechazan la concesión de tierras para la actividad minera. □

Honduras reporta primera muerte por influenza H1N1

TEGUCIGALPA (Reuters) - Una joven mujer embarazada con un cuadro de bronquitis se convirtió en el primer deceso por el nuevo virus de influenza H1N1 en Honduras, anunció el lunes el ministro de Salud.

La mujer falleció el 13 de junio en Santa Rosa de Copán, una zona rural del oeste de Honduras, pero los estudios apenas confirmaron el domingo que había muerto por la nueva cepa de influenza, según las autoridades.

“Ya tenemos el primer caso de muerte por gripe H1N1. Es una mujer de 23 años que tenía seis semanas de embarazo”, dijo en conferencia de prensa Carlos Aguilar, ministro de Salud hondureño.

La mujer, un ama de casa, inicialmente había sido examinada en un hospital pero la prueba de H1N1 había dado negativo. Sin embargo, la joven volvió al hospital con persistentes síntomas y poco después falleció. Honduras ha registrado 118 casos de influenza H1N1, la mayoría de ellos en el valle de Sula, donde se concentra la industria manufacturera de exportación del país centroamericano. □

Tormenta Andrés amenaza costas de Pacífico mexicano

MEXICO DF (Reuters) - La tormenta tropical Andrés, la primera de la temporada en el Océano Pacífico, ganaba intensidad y se acercaba a las costas mexicanas, a las que podría amenazar el martes con fuerza de huracán, dijo el Centro Nacional de Huracanes de Estados Unidos. La tormenta se ubicaba a unos 370 kilómetros al sur-sureste del popular balneario mexicano de Manzanillo, con vientos máximos sostenidos de 95 kilómetros por hora (kph) y se movía a 7 kph hacia el noroeste, según un reporte del Centro de las 16.00 hora local (2100 GMT). El reporte señaló que se esperaba un fortalecimiento de la tormenta durante las próximas 24 horas y que podría convertirse en huracán el martes. “Andrés pasará muy cerca de la costa del suroeste de México (...) el martes y la noche del martes”, dijo el Centro Nacional de Huracanes en el reporte.

El Gobierno de México, que cerró el puerto de Zihuatanejo por mal tiempo, emitió una alerta de huracán desde Lázaro Cárdenas, en el occidental estado de Michoacán, hasta Cabo Corrientes, en el estado de Jalisco.

De acuerdo con los mapas del Centro de

Huracanes de Estados Unidos que pronostican la trayectoria, el centro de la tormenta convertida en huracán bordearía el martes las costas de los estados de Michoacán y de Colima, donde se encuentra Manzanillo.

Luego, se espera un debilitamiento de la tormenta, que daría un giro mar adentro para pasar cerca del balneario de Los Cabos, en la península de Baja California.

El Centro dijo que se esperaba que Andrés dejará precipitaciones de 3 a 6 pulgadas (de 7.6 a 15 centímetros) sobre porciones del oeste y centro de México, con la posibilidad de que se alcancen acumulaciones de lluvia hasta de 8 pulgadas (20 centímetros) en algunas zonas. El Servicio Meteorológico Nacional de México dijo que Andrés podría ocasionar deslaves e inundaciones en zonas bajas en los estados de Michoacán, Colima, Jalisco, Nayarit y en el sur de Sinaloa.

En los balnearios de Acapulco y Zihuatanejo, en el estado de Guerrero sobre la costa del Pacífico, donde la tormenta causó lluvias y la caída de árboles, fueron suspendidas las clases. La temporada de huracanes comenzó el 1 de junio y durará seis meses. □



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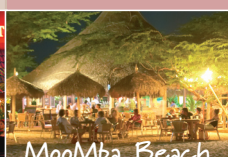
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